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JAPAN'S DEFENCE.

Emphatic Statement by War Vice-Minister.

4,000 TROOPS ARRIVE AT TSINGTAO: BOYCOTT STEPS.

Four thousand Japanese troops have arrived at Tsingtao and steps have been taken by Japan elsewhere to preserve order.

The Japanese Vice-Minister of War has made a long statement, justifying the attitude taken in Shantung and Manchuria. "Japan will not break her word," he said, referring to the undertaking to withdraw as soon as possible.

He also pointed to Britain's protection of Shanghai and American action in Nicaragua as being on a par with Japan's policy in Manchuria.

Latest phases in the spread of "anti-Nipponism" are described below.

"WILL KEEP HER WORD."

The following are the latest developments in the Japanese despatch of armed forces to Shantung province in North China and Manchuria, as outlined in British Naval Wireless despatches of yesterday's date:

Tsingtao (a port of Shantung, connected with Tainan by railway): 4,000 men in the 3rd Nagoya division have arrived. The Japanese Naval ratings and marines who were landed to perform temporary precautionary duties have been relieved from duty ashore and are returning to their ships. Their places are being taken, of course, by the newly-arrived troops.

Tientsin (the "port" of Peking): the telegraph cables to Peking, 70 miles to the northwest of Tientsin, have been severed. It is anticipated that a part of the 3rd Nagoya division will be sent to Tientsin (in addition to the Japanese troops already there).

Chin-wang-tao (a port in the extreme east of Chihli province, near the Manchurian frontier): The Japanese here are strengthening, with reinforcements, their guards on this part of the Peking-Mukden Railway and the wireless telegraphy station here. Six Japanese aeroplanes from Korea are expected to arrive here on May 23.

NOT HIGH-HANDED.

General Hata Speaks on China.

Tokyo, To-day. The groundlessness of the suspicions of Japan's intentions in China was emphasised by Lt.-Gen. Hata (the Vice-Minister for War) in a personal interview with Reuter.

Press reports reaching Japan, he said, indicate the apprehensions abroad of Japan's recent military movements—apprehensions that Japan will establish permanent control in Shantung and form a protectorate in Manchuria.

"Nothing, however, is further from our minds," said General Hata.

The so-called militarists of Japan had been frequently accused of forcing the Japanese Government to adopt a high-handed policy in China but the fact is that the soldier in Japan is merely an instrument in civil government the same as in England, America, or other countries.

"We can advise the Government but obey no command by them (the so-called militarists)," said the General.

Example of 1926.

The Premier has publicly declared his intention of withdrawing the Japanese troops from Shantung as soon as the present danger is past and as soon as apologies are made and appropriate punishments meted out to those responsible for the outrages against our countrymen.

"Japan has never been known to break her word. She won't break it now," General Hata declared.

In the case of Manchuria we will not send more troops, but if circumstances force us to do so, rest assured that the troops will

HYDE PARK CASE.

More About The Inquiry.

THE NEXT STEP.

The Interrogation Of Miss Savidge By Scotland Yard.

London, Yesterday. It has been definitely decided to confine the proposed Hyde Park case inquiry to the interrogation of Miss Savidge (not Savage) by Scotland Yard.—Reuter.

ANTI-WAR PACT.

BELGIAN GOVT. ANNOUNCE THEIR ADHESION.

Brussels, Yesterday. The Government has considered Mr. Kellogg's anti-war pact and will inform Washington of its adhesion.—Reuter.

ing the hats on their heads. Before the traders could do anything to save their offending headgear, the accused snatched them from their heads and, throwing them on the ground with a great show of contempt, trampled them in the mud.

The traders were not molested, but were told to get new hats, and to be sure not to make the mistake of buying Japanese goods again.

This bit of supposed wit was received with derisive laughter by a crowd of idlers who had gathered around the demonstrator and his two victims.

Alert Chinese Detective. All this happened opposite the Empress Hotel from under the verandah of which a Chinese detective had observed everything. He slipped up unobserved and seized the hat-smasher, the crowd which had been championing him scattering in all directions.

On the way to the station, the arrested man was seen to throw away some papers which he had taken out of his pocket. This was picked up by the detective, who immediately searched his prisoner and found other similar leaflets on his person.

These leaflets form the subject of the first charge, on which he had been remanded by the Magistrate. For damaging the traders' hats, Major Wilson ordered the accused to pay each man \$2 as compensation or, in default, go to jail for five days in each case.

Anti-Japanese Literature. Before Lieut.-Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., acting First Magistrate, four Chinese were charged with the unlawful possession of anti-Japanese literature in Wanchai, yesterday.

The men who were charged together, were lined up in the dock as follows:—

Li Yau (23) described as a fitter employed by the Public Works Department;

Fung Lam (31) described as of no occupation and no fixed abode; Lo Mei (38) described as a coolie living at No. 2, Tai Wong-street; and

Li Cho-sang (27) described as a shoof living at No. 118, Praya East.

After the charge had been read out to them, the first accused merely replied "Yes." No 2 said that he had only four sheets of the leaflets in his possession. No 3 said that he took only one leaflet from a distributor to read. No 4 entered a plea of "not guilty."

"Substantial" Bail. Detective Sergeant Whelan of No. 2 Police Station, who had charge of the case, asked for a week's remand, for the purpose of having the papers translated at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs. This was granted by the Magistrate.

Col. Eaves raised the question of bail and the Sergeant said that he would agree to substantial bail. The Magistrate decided that as the accused did not make any application for bail, he would leave the matter as it stood.

Yesterday the West Point police arrested a man for distributing anti-Japanese literature in the district.

The man who is believed to have been the one who gave a Chinese detective "the slip" on Monday

after the Empire Day demonstration.

Approaching the traders, the accused denounced them for wearing Japanese goods, indicating the Empire Day demonstration.

(Continued on Page 7.)

NORTHERNERS WIN.

Recent Fighting in the Civil War.

DEFENCE LINE HELD.

Nationalist Foreign Minister's Resignation.

Shanghai, Yesterday. There are indications that the most recent fighting in the China Civil War has gone in favour of the Northern armies.

Northern troops are in touch with the Shansi column at Nanchow (Tsangchow?) and with the cavalry of the Kuomintang, which is the army of the "Christian General," at Hokenfu.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Tsangchow is on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, about 60 miles south of Tientsin.

Hokenfu is between the Tientsin-Pukow and Peking-Hankow Railways, in about the same latitude as Tsangchow, and more than 100 miles due south of Peking.

The Northern line of defence is said to run westward from Tsangchow to Hokenfu and then further west to Pekingfu, on the Peking-Hankow Railway.]

HWANG FU.

Guarantees About Japan Fail To Materialise.

Shanghai, To-day. The Nationalist Foreign Minister, General Hwang Fu, has handed in his resignation which has been abandoned by the Nationalist Government.

It is believed that Dr. C. T. Wang will be appointed instead. It has been known for some time that General Hwang Fu is

FINE!

Southerly winds moderate, fair, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anticyclone is now central to the east of Tokyo. A depression now covers the whole of China.

non persona grata with the Cantonese clique in the Nationalist Government and the failure of his guarantees that his relations with Japan would preclude any possibility of a Chinese-Japanese clash in Shantung has immensely weakened his position.—Reuter.

WAR OR PEACE?

Views Conflict in the Northern Camp.

Tientsin, Yesterday. General Chang Tsung-chang (of the Northern Army, who lost Shantung province to the Southerners) has been restored to favour and has proceeded to the Tientsin-Pukow Railway war zone to resume command of the Northern army of Shantung, which is to make a final stand against the Southerners.

In the meanwhile it is said that certain Shantung leaders, in a conference, have approved a resolution in favour of stopping the war and uniting with the Southerners for the purpose of wiping out the "foreign insult," and to settle the Tainan affair.—Reuter.

Proximately to Tientsin.

Tientsin, Yesterday. It is reported that Nankai University and Chinese schools in the vicinity of Tientsin closed down to-day owing to the proximity of war.—Reuter.

UPPER YANGTSE.

General Yang Sen Staying at Wanchai.

Hankow, Yesterday. The previous report of the military re-distribution on the Upper Yangtze appears to be incorrect. It was stated that General Yang Sen was "evacuating" and moving down-river to establish a new seat of local government at Kweichow.

General Yang Sen is now staying at Wanchai, which is above Kweichow.—British Naval Wireless.

FLIER "CHARMED."

Major Fitzmaurice And U.S.A.

"WONDERFUL COUNTRY."

Decides To Become An American Citizen.

New York, Yesterday. According to the newspapers the Atlantic flier, Major Fitzmaurice, is so charmed with the "benefits of this wonderful country" that he has decided to become an American.

The report is not surprising as it has been expected for some time that he would resign his Irish commission and enter the field of commercial aviation in America.—Reuter's American Service.

"Bremen" Crew at Montreal. Montreal, Yesterday. The three "Bremen" crew have arrived. They are welcomed by large crowds and entertained officially at banquet.—Reuter's American Service.

ARMS EMBARGO.

A FEW LICENCES ISSUED FOR CHINA.

APPROVED CIRCUMSTANCES.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, Captain D. Hacking (Under-Secretary to the Home Office), replying to Com. J. M. Kenworthy (Labour), said that in view of the China Arms Embargo, licences had not been issued for arms and ammunition likely to reach the contending factions in China. A certain number of licences, however, had been issued in respect of one or two revolvers and a very small consignment of sporting rifles and ammunition for private use; also a few licences have been issued from time to time for the supply of such material to bodies like the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, and the Chinese Customs authorities.

Com. Kenworthy expressed satisfaction at the reply.—Reuter.

IN AMERICAN STYLE.

AUDACIOUS BROAD-DAY-LIGHT ROBBERY.

An armed robbery in broad daylight, was carried out on the second floor of No. 19, Cochrane-street at 11 o'clock this morning.

The two men concerned entered the flat by quietly pushing open the trap door over the staircase, which had been closed but not fastened.

The only person in the flat at the time was a Chinese woman, who was easily intimidated by the intruders, one of whom displayed a revolver and a dagger, whilst the other carried a knife.

Luckily for the woman, an inmate of the floor below had observed the men going up the stairs, and becoming suspicious of their movements, decided to blow a police whistle soon after the flat had been entered.

The robbers, in consequence, did not have time to ransack the place, but they hurriedly relieved the woman of some jewellery which she was wearing and bolted from the house. They succeeded in escaping.

The only description of the scared woman could give the police of the men was that they wore dark Chinese clothing, had their hair cut "in the American style," and both spoke Punt.

MANY WITNESSES.

GUARDSMAN BROUGHT BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE.

BATHING BEACH INCIDENT.

John Duncan, of the Scots Guards, was this morning brought before Mr. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy, on a charge of assaulting a Chinese girl at Lai Chi-Kok bathing beach and for generally misbehaving himself.

Mr. A. H. Yue, Inspector of the Kowloon Fire Brigade appeared for complainant.

The accused was pleaded "not guilty," informed the court that he had three witnesses. Complainant said the last ten

minutes of the case for further hearing on Friday, June 1.

London, Yesterday. The House of Lords have passed the second reading of the Cotton Industry Bill.—Reuter.

The cotton ballot shows that the requisite majority was not obtained, only 28 per cent. of the Egyptian section being in favour of the American section. No further action is being taken.—Reuter.

SAD CALAMITY.

Steam Launch Capsizes.

80 CHILDREN ABOARD.

34 Youthful Victims Reported Drowned.

Moscow, Yesterday. A steam launch, carrying 80 children, has capsized in the river Kuban near Temriuk. Thirty-four of the children were drowned.—Reuter.

19 Persons Perish On Burning Steamer.

Moscow, Yesterday. Nineteen persons have perished in a fire on the steamer "Leo Tolstoi," which was proceeding from Dniepropetrovsky to Kiev.—Reuter.

GERMAN ELECTIONS.

FRENCH PRESS COMMENT INDICATES KEEN INTEREST.

DR. STRESEMANN'S TRIUMPH.

Paris, May 21. The German elections evoked the keenest interest in France and diplomatic circles express the greatest satisfaction with the result as disclosed by the latest figures.

It is considered that the country's verdict shows a big majority in favour of Dr. Stresemann's conciliatory foreign policy.

Meanwhile, the evening newspapers publish the results with large headlines emphasising with satisfaction the victory of the Left Wing Parties.

"L'Intransigeant" declares that Dr. Stresemann and the Locarno Treaty have triumphed. Germany has pronounced sweepingly in favour of the policy of consolidating the republican regime and the furtherance of peace.

"Le Temps" says: "Republican Germany has become a reality, a fact of capital importance for European politics as a whole."

The papers generally consider the result of the German elections as a victory for the Locarno policy. Some, however, make reservations because of the hostility of the Social Democrats against the Versailles treaty.—Reuter.

MR. VAN LEAR BLACK.

THE 40,000 MILE FLIGHT STOPS SUDDENLY.

MAY BE RESUMED.

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

The Royal Dutch Airline has received a cable from pilot Scholte from Khartoum "Van Lear Black and Geysendorfer left on Monday afternoon by special train. Hold aeroplane in readiness at Marseilles. Van Lear Black still intends to carry out the flight."

Van Lear Black has cancelled his flight owing to a damaged wing and engine trouble. He left for Cairo last night by a special train, and if necessary will charter a special steamer from Alexandria to Marseilles.

He will then go to London, as a second machine is not ready now. He proposes to fly to Tokyo first and to the Cape later. The date of his departure for Tokyo is uncertain.—Reuter.

[It was reported from Khartoum that Mr. Van Lear Black's flight to Capetown, Tokyo and back to Croydon had been abandoned for the present in consequence of engine trouble and difficulties arising from lack of suitable landing grounds. Mr. Van Lear Black is the Dutch-American millionaire. He contemplated a 40,000 miles flight by easy stages intending to pay visits to all places of commercial interest.]

London, Yesterday. The Colonial Office announces that negotiations were begun at Jeddah on May 8 between Sir Gilbert Clayton and the King of Hedjaz. They are progressing satisfactorily, but have now been suspended owing to the approach of the pilgrimage season.

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CHEMICAL COMBINE'S NEW CAPITAL.

CONTINUOUS EXPANSION.

London, Yesterday. Imperial Chemical Industries Limited propose to increase their capital to £75,000,000 by the creation of 20,000,000 new shares at 10s. each as the "continuous expansion" of the company's business involves a large expenditure on capital account during the coming twelve months.—Reuter.

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THE MAIN REASON.

Shanghai British Troops at Wei-hai-wei.

"BENEFIT OF CLIMATE."

Also to Protect Lives & Property at Tientsin.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, Mr. G. Locker-Lampson (Under-Secretary to the Foreign Office), replying to Com. J. M. Kenworthy (Labour), said that a battalion (less two companies) in the Shanghai Defence Force had been despatched from Shanghai to Wei-hai-wei, primarily for training purposes and to give the troops the benefit of a more congenial climate, but also that they may be available, if necessary, for the defence of British lives and property at Tientsin.

The Note to Geneva. Mr. Locker-Lampson was unable to state what action was being taken in connection with the Nationalist telegram to the League of Nations. The Council was not deliberating in this connection. The matter had nothing whatever to do with the British Government. It was with the acting Chairman who, he believed, was a Chinese, and the Secretary-General to convene the Council.

Both Versions. Replying to Sir Frederick Hall (Cons.), Mr. Locker-Lampson said that contrary to the practice of circulating as a white paper despatches containing the Japanese and Chinese versions of the Tsinan incidents, both versions were printed and the Press and public therefore had the whole case before them.—Reuter.

RUBBER'S FUTURE.

A PLANTER'S AMUSING PROGNOSTICATION.

TWO YEARS HENCE.

Singapore, Yesterday. Presiding at the annual meeting of the Planters' Association of Malaya, Mr. J. S. Arter, speaking from his considerable knowledge of planters and estates in Malaya and Ceylon, said he was certain that, falling an international agreement, their successful course now lay in a good, exhilarating professional battle.

If they got it, "looking through a telescope two years long," he saw some disgruntled rubber brokers, tired speculators, unappeased consumers, and sadder, if not wiser, Dutch planting friends, but the planters were still alive.—Reuter.

IRAK FRONTIER.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH KING OF HEDJAZ PROGRESSING.

FRIENDLINESS MANIFESTED.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 9th MAY to 25th MAY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1928.

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The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 per day for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each per day up to Friday, 25th May, 1928.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2 per day.

Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Hong Kong, 19th May, 1928.

PUBLIC AUCTION.**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on TUESDAY, the 29th day of May, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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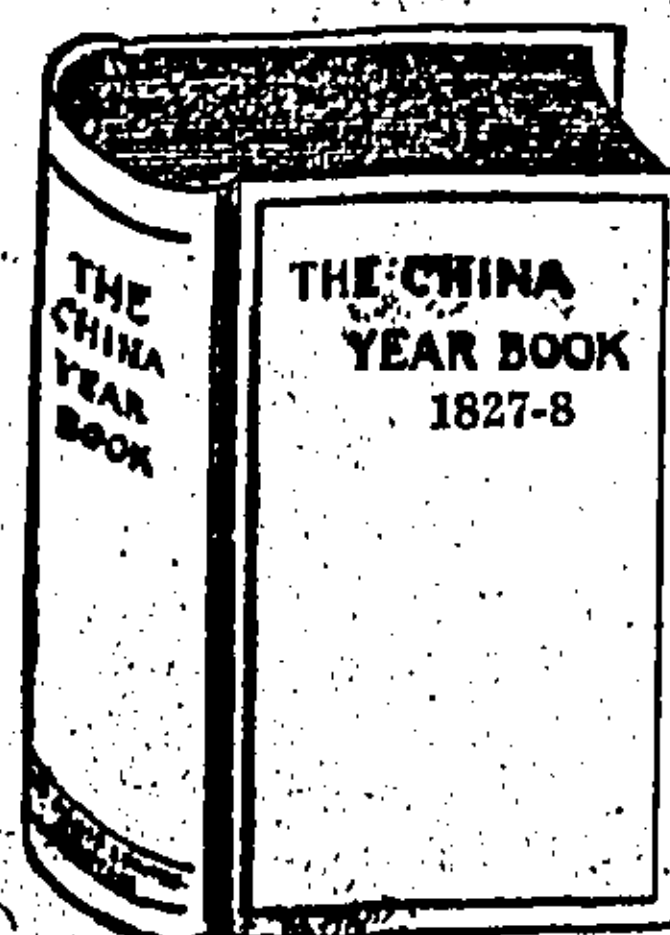
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JAPAN'S "IRELAND."**MISGIVINGS OVER KOREA; COUNT SOYEJIMA'S PLEA.****"CALM BEFORE STORM."**

Tokyo, April 24. Misgivings with regard to Korea, where "something of a calm before the storm" is discerned, are contained in an article contributed to the "Diplomatic Review" of Japan by Count Michimasa Soyejima, a member of the House of Peers, who, of late years, has been devoting a great deal of his time to assuaging the differences between the Japanese and Koreans. For this purpose, Count Soyejima established newspapers in the premier Japanese colony and worked indefatigably through various channels of publicity to make the Japanese take a greater interest in Korea, and to make the Koreans feel that there were Japanese who sympathized with their aspirations.

Undercurrents of Discontent. Count Soyejima already describes black clouds in the Korean skies, which first took form upon the retirement of Governor-General Viscount Saito whose eight-years tenure of office was such that any colonial ruler could be proud of. Discussing unrest in Korea, Count Soyejima declares that he would only be deceiving his countrymen if he did not say that the thoughts and aspirations which gave rise to the unfortunate independence movement of 1919 "still run in great force underneath." He admits that the Japanese administration has done wonderful things in Korea—clad green the bare hills, founded fine schools, improved ports and docks and practically revolutionized the means of communication in various parts of the land. Yet, the Koreans maintain that all this does not accrue to their real material or moral satisfaction. And this feeling, according to him, is not entertained by a perverse and recalcitrant minority, "but it is the feeling of the great majority, amounting to practically all of the Korean people—a fact which even the Government-General of Korea cannot deny."

The chief cause for concern in the administration of Korea, according to this Japanese peer, is not so much the agitations conducted by disgruntled Koreans, as "the rampancy of the unscrupulous Japanese in Korea." These Japanese, according to Count Soyejima, believe that the governor-general is their governor-general and the governor-generalship their instrument, and the actions of the governor-general are apt to be influenced by a public opinion so-called, which is only the opinion of a few hundred Japanese in Korea. In extreme cases, according to the Count, the popularity of the Governor-General "is determined by the extent to which he is prepared to make use of something that shall be nameless here (force)."

Assimilation Impossible. After a lengthy reference to the Imperial Rescript issued at the time of the annexation of Korea, in which full equality with the Japanese was held out to the Koreans, Count Soyejima maintains that a uniform administration to be applied to Japan and Korea alike is inadvisable, and that the policy of assimilation—that of trying to make the Koreans Japanese—is impracticable.

"After the moral qualities and influence of a Saito failed to counteract Korean aspirations for self-assertion and failed to render Korean sentiment better," he writes, "no other man can hope to cope successfully with those aspirations." Count Soyejima then points out

that the Korean budget to-day is many times larger than before the annexation, exceeding Yen 200,000,000 which, with the exception of Yen 15,000,000 paid by the Central Treasury, all falls on the shoulders of the Korean people. He asks whether it is reasonable to expect a people supporting so large an annual burden not to want a share in the government. The Koreans in Japan, have the franchise, but the Koreans in Korea are absolutely inarticulate, according to Count Soyejima.

Home Rule the Only Way. The present Government policy with regard to Korea is to treat that country as a prolongation of Japan, a policy that was established by the late Mr. Hara, the first commander-premier of Japan. Under this policy, the granting of manhood suffrage to Korea is only a matter of time and, when this is done, Korea would be able to return over 100 members of the Imperial Diet. When one remembers how to-day, a handful of proletarian members hold the casting vote and can sway the fortunes of the Government, one can imagine what an immense weight a hundred Korean

DRURY LANE.**SIR A. BUTTS'S DEFENCE OF AMERICAN PLAYS.****WAITING FOR BRITISH.**

At a dinner of the O.P. Club, held at the Hotel Cecil, to celebrate the anniversary of "The Desert Song" at Drury-lane, Sir Alfred Butts replied to criticisms which have been made concerning the production of American plays at the theatre. The chair was occupied by Mr. J. B. Melville, K.C., vice-president of the club. Sir Alfred said he had been told that he was allowing America to dominate the national theatre—Drury-lane. "I am extremely sorry," he said, "that we cannot produce really fine British plays at Drury-lane. I am sorry, not because I am particularly insular, but because I think it would be exceedingly good business, for I should have the world rights."

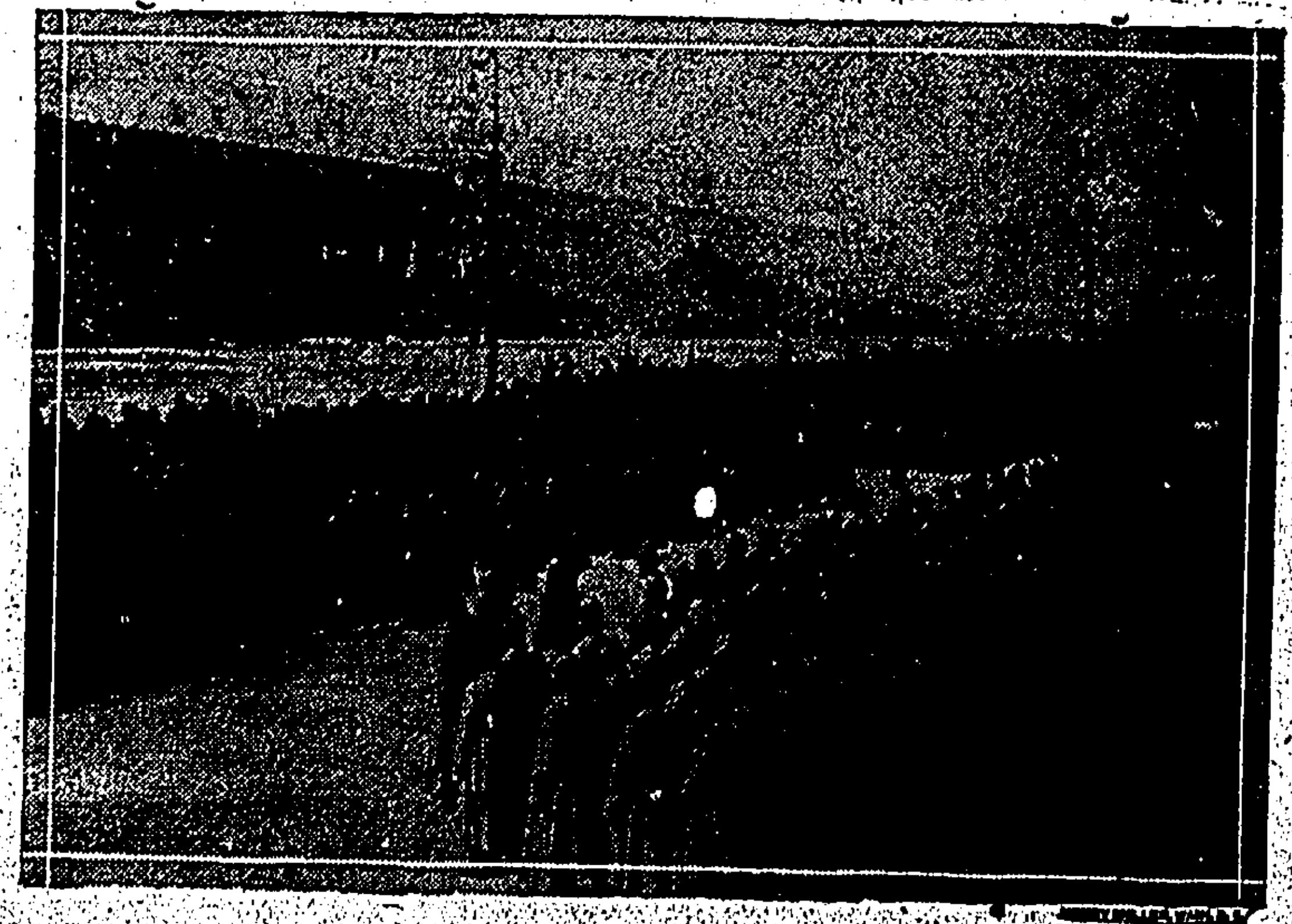


Nasik, Bombay Presidency, India.—Sir Tukojirao Holkar and his American bride, the former Miss Nancy Anne Miller, of Seattle, Wash. The groom is the Maharajah of Indore. Miss Miller's new name acquired since she renounced Christianity and swore lifelong faith to Hinduism is Devi Sharmistha.

members would have. Count Soyejima thinks that greater dangers lie in this direction. His solution is home rule for Korea with all matters pertaining to diplomacy and military affairs being placed in the control of the Central Government. "The policy of treating Korea as a prolongation of Japan," he writes, "totally ignores the social entity and the national consciousness of the Koreans—factors which any amount of myth and legend, and apparently soothing arguments advanced that the Japanese and Koreans belong to the same race and civilization, cannot do away with. It is obvious that the policy will cause more estrangement and revulsion rather than the assimilation and fusion of the two peoples. In my opinion, the assimilation of the Koreans is out of the question. The only wise course is to give them home rule and develop in them a sense of common community, based on mutual interests, instead of an artificial assimilation based on political motives. The national consciousness of the Koreans will not be terminated or attenuated by the administrative assimilation of Korea. On the contrary, such a policy will only accentuate Korean aspirations for independence."—"N. C. Daily News."

"But from a patriotic point of view it must be good to produce plays that give entertainment and which give employment to hundreds of people rather than to produce British plays that fail, and which give employment to no one. I hate all this cant and hypocrisy. I am anxious for plays by British authors and British composers, and when I can get them I will produce them, but until such time I will buy my plays in whatever market I choose."

"The Desert Song" would not have been produced, added Sir Alfred, had a Britisher fulfilled his contract. The successor to "The Desert Song" would be another American play, "The Show Boat." They were producing this after waiting in vain for nine months for an English play. In connection with the coming production he had been accused "of introducing niggers on to the stage at Drury-lane." Sixty or seventy coloured artists were required for one of the scenes. Of these already fifty had been secured in this country, and they were British subjects. Over seventy of the old chorus were being retained. Sir Alfred added that there was very little difference in the salary paid to the coloured and the white members.



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The "Suiyang Maru" was entering port on flood tide after completing her voyage from Hankow, on which run she is on the regular shipping programme. She left Hankow on May 14 and proceeded without incident until abreast No. 10 buoy which is situated just below the N.Y.K. Wayside wharf. Her commander, Capt. S. Kojima, at this point observed the "Shanghai Maru," swinging and endeavoured to make passage between the wharf and the latter ship. The current was strong and the "Shanghai Maru" was carried towards the incoming vessel. Full speed astern was ordered by Capt. Kojima but it was too late and the "Shanghai Maru" crashed into the port bow of the N.K.K. vessel. Forward Superstructure Smashed.

The damage sustained was remarkable, inasmuch as the whole of the forward superstructure of the latter vessel was smashed and the partitions separating the first class cabins fell much in the same way as a house of cards falls when one card is removed. All passengers were on deck and there is no doubt that had any of the latter been in their cabins, they must have been terribly crushed as the whole of the woodwork was completely smashed and the first saloon, lavatories and pantries collapsed as the supports were swept away by the bow of the larger vessel. Steering gear, and engine room telegraphs were put out of action, but the anchors which had been dropped in the meantime, kept her from encountering further disaster.

The remarkable part of the accident is that there is no apparent damage to the main deck or the hull, and the "Shanghai Maru" sustained practically no damage at all and was able to proceed on her voyage to Japan.

By Tug to the Wharf.

The disabled vessel immediately displayed call flags and two tugs came to her aid and assisted her to make the N.Y.K. Footing wharf. Representatives from the New Engineering Works and the Old Dock commenced a survey of the damage, and repairs will in probability take over one month to effect. The company, however, is anxious to get the ship away early and temporary repairs, which will consist of shoring up the bridge and putting the telegraphs and steering gear in order, will be effected if possible, with a view to the vessel making another round trip to Hankow, after which she will go off the run and her forward superstructure will be completely demolished and replaced.—N. C. Daily News.

HARBOUR PIRACY.

THE SENSATIONAL AFFAIR AGAIN BEFORE THE COURT.

AN ALLEGED PIRATE.

The hearing was opened before Mr. W. Schofield, at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, of the case in which a Chinese who was arrested in Canton is charged with having been concerned in the robbery of \$30,000 worth of gold ingots on board the steam launch "Woo Fat Shing" in Hong Kong harbour on October 12 last year.

The sensational story of the hold-up of the launch and its subsequent beaching at North Point, where the robbers got away with the booty, was again recounted in Court. The accused, whose name was given by witnesses as Ah Wing, was recognised as a member of the crew of the pirated launch, and he was alleged to have bound the victims after they had been driven into the cabin. Accused was alleged to have been armed with a dagger at the time of the robbery.

The case was adjourned.

POLISH COMPETITION.

Mr. W. A. Lee, secretary of the Mining Association of Great Britain, interviewed on a statement in the "Kurier Polski," a leading Polish newspaper, that the Polish coal industry has made great sacrifices in order to capture foreign markets from the British, said that the most noticeable "sacrifice" made by the Polish colliery owners seemed to be the payment of the wages of the British miner. In Poland the average earnings per shift of the miners were \$5. 9d., in Great Britain about 10s., including juveniles.

Another sacrifice, which, however, was certainly not made by the Polish colliery owners, was the conveyance of coal for 375 miles from the coalfield to Danzig for 3s. 4d., as compared with 5s. 6d. from our Yorkshire coalfield to the Humber, a distance of less than 50 miles.

Mr. Lee added that it was this Polish competition which had caused such acute depression in our Northern coalfields, and to describe as "brutal and unprecedented" the efforts of Great Britain to regain markets that Poland had, in fact, taken from her by the methods indicated above was equivalent to denouncing as desperately wicked anyone who dared to defend himself when attacked.

Mr. Lee pointed out that the "Kurier Polski" admitted that the initiative has been taken by the Polish coalowners in seizing what were naturally British markets. Since 1913 our exports of coal to the three Scandinavian countries, Sweden, Norway and Denmark, had fallen by about 4,000,000 tons per annum, and the bulk of that trade had gone to Poland. It seemed to be a general impression among competitors of the British coal trade abroad and amongst a certain section of its critics at home that we ought to sit with folded hands while markets that had been ours for years were seized by others. These critics appeared to think that all we had to look forward to, or had a right to expect, was a steady diminution in our foreign trade. British colliery owners did not agree with that defeatist point of view, and complaints such as that of the "Kurier Polski" were, at least, evidence that our efforts to regain our foreign markets were meeting with success, heavy as the cost might be to us.

The coxswain of the steam launch "Sun Sam Lee" (towing vessel plying between Hong Kong and Samel) whose arrest had already been reported in the "China Mail," was brought before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charged with the unlawful possession of 311 tins of raw non-Government opium and with importation of the drug. The launch was stated, in evidence, to belong to the Kwangsi Government, and was on this particular trip transporting tin from Wuchow to Hong Kong. As several members of the engineering had disappeared, it became obvious that they were the real smugglers of the opium, and therefore C.P.O. Clark told the Magistrate that he would be satisfied if his Worship treated the accused's offence as a technical one and imposed a light fine. The Magistrate accordingly imposed a fine of \$25 and ordered the opium to be confiscated.

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Mr. D. C. Cameron, sup'y second officer, "Fatsan," has gone second officer "Nanchang."

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Mr. J. H. Hodgkiss, chief officer, "Nanchang," has gone chief officer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. W. L. Thomas, chief officer, "Hsin Peking," has gone chief officer, "Szechuen."

Mr. E. D. Penhale, chief officer, "Szechuen," has gone extra chief officer, "Taming."

Mr. R. B. C. Lee, sup'y second officer, "Hsin Peking," has gone second officer, "Szechuen."

Mr. T. J. Thomas, second officer, "Szechuen," has gone sup'y second officer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. T. A. Ellis, second officer, "Ningpo," is on reserve.

Mr. A. S. Lewis, sup'y second officer, "Taming," has gone second officer, "Ningpo."

Mr. D. McPherson, chief officer, Ningpo, has resigned from the China Navigation Company.

Mr. G. P. Cope, second officer, "Wanliu," has gone acting chief officer, "Ningpo."

Mr. J. R. Lilley, second officer, "Sunning," is on reserve.

Mr. S. E. Ries, sup'y second officer, "Taming," has gone second officer, "Sunning."

Mr. G. J. Forster, from reserve, has gone sup'y third engineer officer, "Suiyang."

Mr. J. W. E. Tonkin, from reserve, has gone sup'y third engineer officer, "Suiyang."

Mr. L. A. MacFarlane, second engineer officer, "Suiyang," has gone extra chief engineer officer, "Chenyang."

Mr. R. H. Brown, sup'y chief engineer officer, "Sinkiang," is on Home leave.

Mr. D. Warden, from reserve, has gone chief engineer officer, "Po-yang."

Mr. A. Jeffrey, acting second engineer officer, "Tungchow," has gone acting second engineer officer, "Taming."

Mr. W. S. Sharp, sup'y third engineer officer, "Hsin Peking," has resigned from the China Navigation Company.

Mr. S. Dumbreck, third engineer officer, "Taming," has resigned from the China Navigation Company.

Mr. F. Appleton, third engineer officer, "Tatung," has gone sup'y third engineer officer, "Tungchow."

Mr. J. A. Duggan, third engineer officer, "Sunning," is on reserve.

Mr. C. Maberly, from reserve, has gone third engineer officer, "Sunning."

Mr. D. B. Kerr has been appointed chief engineer officer, "Chenyang."

Captain A. Sinclair, of the "Yat-shing," is on Home leave.

Captain H. W. Chandler, from Home leave, has gone master, "Yatshing."

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DELTA	8,097	9th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANPURA	16,601	23rd June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SHIRAZPORE	6,715	28th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The Ben Line a.s. "Benavrilch" from Middlesbro', Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines is due to arrive here to-day.

The B.I. a.s. "Talma" left Amoy for this port yesterday, and is due here to-day.

The P. & O. a.s. "Ranpura" left Singapore for this port on May 20 at 9 a.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here to-morrow at about noon.

The P. & O. a.s. "Malwa" left Shanghai for this port yesterday at 4 p.m. with the Mails, and is due here on May 25 at about 6 a.m.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co. M.V. "Rankine" left Hamburg on April 14 and is due here on or about May 25.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" from Hong Kong on May 9, left Yokohama on Friday, and is due at Vancouver on May 27.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" (Capt. A. J. Hailey, R.N.R.) is due here on May 28 at 8 a.m., and will berth at Pier No. 6, Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama, on May 30 at noon.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on May 17, and is due here on June 4.

The M/V "Agra" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on May 7, and is due here on or about June 16.

The M/V "Delhi" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Hamburg on May 13, and is due here on or about June 17.

Last night a Chinese passenger on the "Golden Star" attempted to commit suicide soon after the ferry launch left Kowloon wharf. The alarm was given immediately the man jumped into the harbour, the launch was stopped, and assistance was given to the drowning man by the engineer of the steam launch "Kwong On," which happened to be in the neighbourhood at the time. After the would-be suicide's rescue, he was handed over to the police, who removed him to hospital, suffering from the effects of immersion.

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TRADE BARRIERS.

Many people took the view that the year 1927 was likely to be notable for a strong demand for British coal, and that in consequence of this prices would rule high for many months. Why these expectations were not realised is shown by the South Wales Coal Exporters' Association in its resume of the work done during the past year.

The production of coal in foreign countries, states the report in question, has displayed remarkable elasticity; whereas at home, owing to the re-introduction of the "eight hour" working day, the potential output of our collieries has increased enormously. At home and on the Continent a general slackening in industry has been an outstanding characteristic. In some countries this has been accentuated owing to the policy of financial deflation which has been adopted. It must not be thought, however, that the consumption of coal throughout the world has decreased; the world's consumption is as great as it has ever been. Our home demand, which some people seem to think has fallen off, thereby causing much of our misfortune, has been greater than the total of any post-war year. The most unmistakable reason for the recent depression is the fact that, owing to the increasing quantity of coal produced abroad, the greater economy effected in the use of coal and the operation of the Dawes Scheme, foreign buyers have required less coal from Britain.

Competition in World's Markets. On the other hand, our power to compete in the world's markets has been greatly reduced in consequence of the spread of Nationalistic sentiment abroad. Trade barriers, intended to give protection to native collieries, have been set up in many countries. Certain industries have, in some cases, been compelled to use native coal whereas many other industries have been allowed to use British coal for only a small percentage of requirements. To assist foreign coal producers, preferential railway rates, subsidies and import licences have been freely used, and determined efforts have been made to increase the import duties on British coal.

As a result of all these unfavourable circumstances, coupled with the fact that, in consequence of the coal stoppage, many of our usual customers were committed to Continental collieries for the major portion of their requirements, the year just ended has proved to be one of the most unprofitable, and certainly one of the most depressing, in the annals of our coal trade. Prices have fallen to such an extent that, in many cases, they are now lower than pre-war figures but, notwithstanding this, most of our collieries have worked very irregularly, and some of them have had to be closed down permanently. Few of them have managed to escape stupendous losses.

It would, of course, be imprudent to make predictions regarding the probable trade position during the year 1928, but it is difficult to imagine that, from the point of view of the coal trade, it could be more unsatisfactory than the year which has just closed.

Exporters' Lament. Referring to relationships with the collieries, the report states that these have been exceedingly friendly. Joint discussions have been customary on all suitable occasions, and, when necessary, joint delegations have been arranged for the purpose of interviewing the Government, railways, etc. The coal exporters lament the fact that, in the period under review, the collieries have fared so badly. They have been self-defence, they have deemed it advisable to consider whether an artificial scheme for the purpose of stabilising prices is likely to prove effective. They have undoubtedly been anxious to see that a cure was this, but the Government, the

newspapers, and the miners' leaders have so insistently advocated the adoption of protective measures that the collieries have felt compelled to take action. Therefore, on December 28, 1927, they published the details of the South Wales Coal Marketing Association.

The proposal necessitates minimum prices for all the coals which are owned by firms associated with the scheme. Each colliery will have to contribute threepence per ton on the quantity of coal it produces. The money so collected will form a "pool" for the purpose of indemnifying those collieries which, owing to their loyalty to the agreed minimum prices, and the necessary to stop work or to work irregularly.

Some days must elapse before it will be possible to say how many companies are prepared to enter into the undertaking which the scheme involves.

Nothing has occurred during the year to disturb the amicable relationships which exist between shipowners and coal exporters. It is true that, in May last, drastic amendments to the Chamber of Shipping Welsh Coal Charter (1896) were formulated, but the new proposals have not been officially submitted to the association. The directors can be relied on to protect the interests of coal exporters in this connection.

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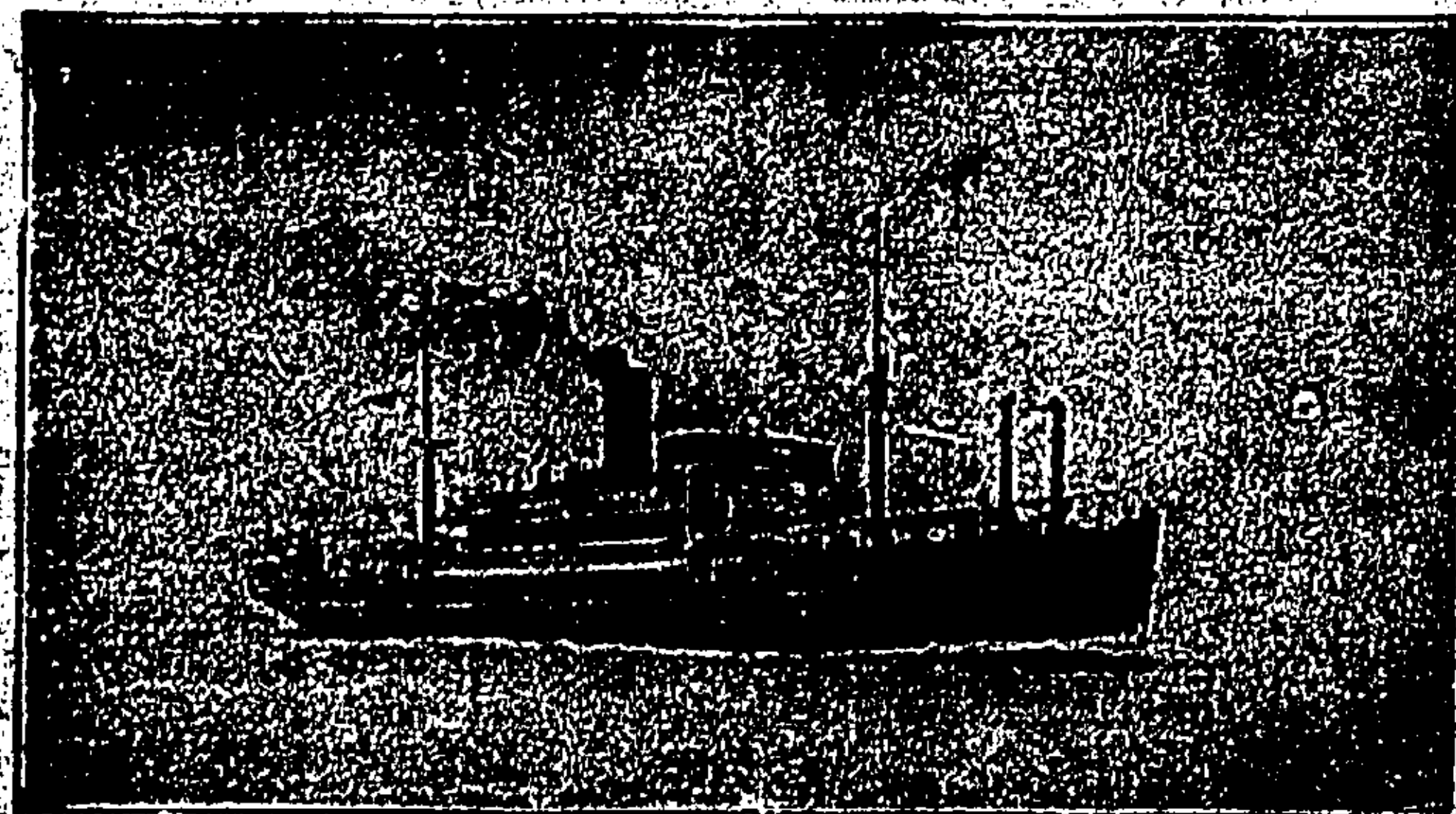
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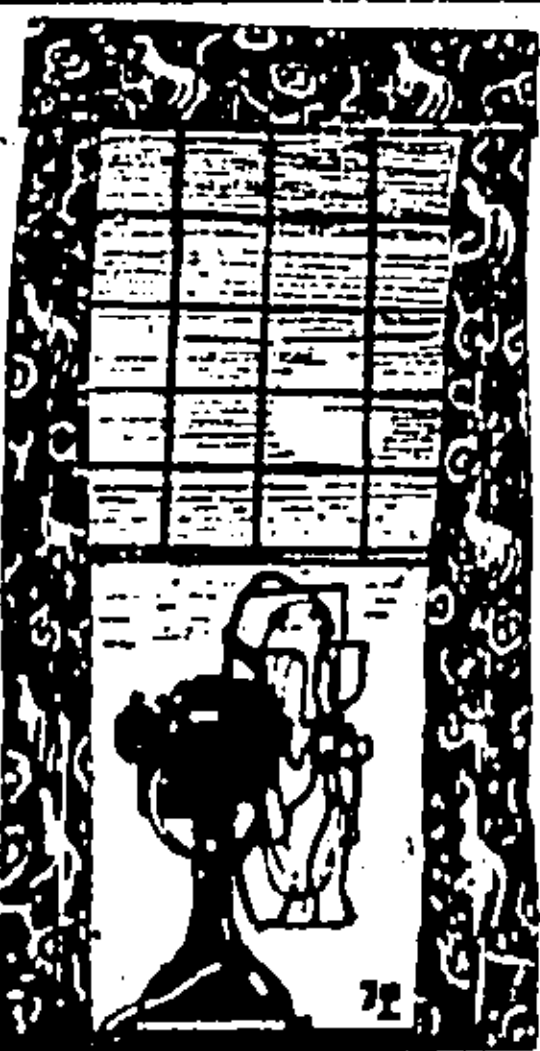
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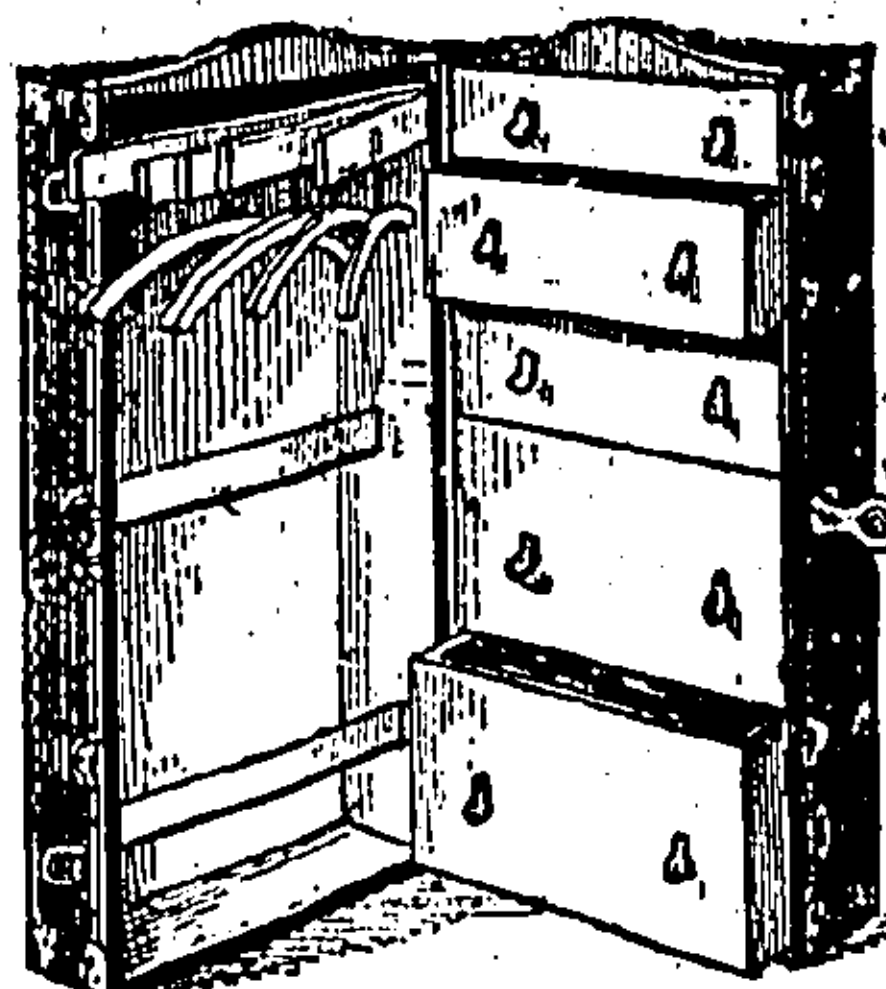
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BIRTH.

MORGAN.—On May 14, at the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. G. J. W. Morgan, a son.

DEATHS.

SAUNDERS.—On May 14, at Melbourne, Australia, Mrs. E. Saunders, dearly beloved mother of Mrs. S. Noble, of Shanghai, and Mrs. W. Anstey, of Melbourne. (By cable.)
ADAMCZEWSKI.—On May 18, Hedwig Elizabeth Adamczerwski, aged two years, dearly beloved daughter of Dr. and Mrs. B. Adamczerwski.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The funeral of the late Mr. Lee Hsien will take place at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 25, at which hour the cortege will leave No. 32, Kennedy-road. Friends wishing to pay their last respects will be able to do so between 1 and 2 p.m., at "Yat Pit Ting," Kennedy Town.

IN MEMORIAM.

NICHOLLS.—In loving memory of Ulla, the dearly beloved wife of W. G. Nicholls, who departed this life on May 19, 1927. R.I.P.

Hong Kong, Wednesday, May 23, 1928.

YES—OR NO ?

The question everyone is asking to-day is: Has Chiang Kai-shek accepted the Japanese demands? According to a Reuters message published in all foreign newspapers in Hong Kong yesterday, "the Japanese demands have not been met." According to a Canton message of a week or more ago, the Nationalist generalissimo has accepted the terms, and this is "confirmed" by another Chinese message appearing in a vernacular paper this morning.

Exactly why the Press, other than this journal, glossed over yesterday's message regarding non-acceptance, seeing that it came from an Agency which is generally accepted as reliable, is difficult to surmise—unless, of course, they did not realise the importance of those few words sticking out at the head of a report having to do more with troop movements than anything else. And why the version of acceptance, from Canton sources, is preferred in some quarters is equally difficult of surmise.

However, there is no reliable confirmation that the demands have been met, just as there is no confirmation that they have been rejected. We fancy that neither eventuality has come to pass, that Chiang Kai-shek is considering the matter, and that the Japanese, realising the seriousness of their requests, are content to sit still and wait whilst the heavy thinking is proceeding in the Nationalist camp. No time limit, so far as we are able to gather, was imposed when the demands were forwarded, and Japan obviously has nothing to gain by attempting to force an issue. Therefore, we take it, the whole matter is in the "talky-talky" stage, a necessary preliminary to most negotiations conducted in China.

These conclusions, which are entirely our own, do not in any way help to explain the mystery that envelops the question. Reuters's casual reference—"As the Japanese demands have not yet been met"—is the only piece of news we have received on the subject which may be regarded as bearing the stamp of authenticity. The latest Chinese version in one place merely suggested that they have been accepted whilst in another it states that negotiations will be opened at Hsichow. For the moment and the purpose of these remarks it does not matter a row of beans whether the Nationalists have agreed to the terms or not; what we desire to emphasise is the paucity of reliable information on this particular point and the glut of contradictory reports and obviously inspired "confirmations" that beset our path.

Fashions in Frocks.

Is it not deplorable that the prevailing fashion in feminine dress, particularly with regard to the "abbreviated" frock should be one of the main misfortunes that has come to the once highly prosperous Lancashire textile industry? Everybody knows that Lancashire's trade has been in a very precarious condition for a long time, and a few sagacious individuals have occasionally ventured to express the view that the "abbreviated" frock, which is worn nowadays by our

women folk had not a little to do with the decrease in the volume of trade. We have now this idea seriously brought forward, not by some facetious fellow writing with tongue in cheek but gravely expressed in a committee report of Lancashire's textile trade. Shorter frocks have been and continue to be "one of the main causes of the depression in the wool textile trade." And what is to be done about it? Nothing; for who dares to tamper with the immutable laws of Dame Fashion? Certainly not the women folk, who changeable in many other respects, are unchangeable in their allegiance to the fulcrum of Fashion, though, strangely enough, the same Dame Fashion is as likely as not suddenly to be as changeable as a Spring day. But as to shorter frocks and silk (or near silk) stockings as like-wise of shorter hair, Dame Fashion and her devotees seem to be equally determined that there shall be no change, no matter what industry may languish in Lancashire or elsewhere. It is all far beyond mere man's ken and he is wisest who is the last to look for any logical reason for this apparent immutability. Not that it is not a pleasing fashion—but that is another story and one quite incompatible with the profound sympathy that we feel bound to express in Lancashire's trade depression. If only the ladies of Lancashire would say what at least a large portion of their men folk often say, namely: "What we (Manchester) say to-day, the rest of England will say to-morrow," and at the same time give forth the fiat that their dresses shall be lengthened by at least half a dozen inches! But will the ladies of Lancashire do so in opposition to tyrannous Dame Fashion? Never!

CORRESPONDENCE.

STONE THROWING.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]
Sir,—It is unfortunate that in making fair comment on stone-throwing into Japanese shops in your yesterday's paper, your leader-writer should have drawn an ill-conceived picture of Japanese smashing the windows of Chinese establishments in the City by way of reprisal. Further the phrase: "We should, of course, very speedily deal with window-smashing Japanese as effectively as we have dealt with such Chinese youths" (italics mine) was unnecessary and in bad taste.

The matter of affording protection to the Japanese in carrying on their peaceful occupations is one entirely for the Colonial Administration, who will no doubt make the misguided illiterates realise the foolishness of their actions which will be condemned by all right thinking Chinese.

Yours, etc., S. N.

Hong Kong, May 22, 1928.

[Of course we (meaning the British Administration here) would very speedily deal with window-smashers of any nationality.—Editor, "China Mail."]

KING'S BIRTHDAY.

MILITARY PARADE AT WONG NEI CHONG.

To celebrate His Majesty's Birthday (Sunday, June 3) a parade of the Garrison will take place on the Wong Nei Chong Recreation Ground at 9 a.m., Monday, June 4.

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STILL WAITING.

WOMAN'S JEWELLERY DISAPPEARS.

A Chan Mui, a married woman living at No. 3, Chung On-lane, reported to the police that at about 4.30 this morning whilst she was walking in a street in the Central district, she was approached by a female nightsoil carrier who suggested to her that it was dangerous for her to be walking about with jewellery on her person at that time of night. The woman induced her to hand the jewellery over for safe-keeping, promising to deliver the valuable at her house later in the morning. She is still waiting for it.

Sergeants Fitches and Humphreys yesterday carried out a raid at a Chinese house in Lukong village, Lantau Island. They seized a printing plant, some printing forms and partly printed poplar lotus tickets. Three men, who were found in the house at the time, were arrested.

MONEY TROUBLE.

THE KWANGSI GOVERNMENT'S PROCLAMATION.

A FIXED EXCHANGE RATE.

Wuchow, Monday.
The chief topic of conversation these days on the streets of the city is the money market. Several days ago, the Provincial Government issued a proclamation that the exchange rates would be fixed and that all banks and money-changers would have to abide by this rate. The proclamation stated that the local paper money would have a value of \$150 to \$100 Hong Kong currency, and \$115 to 68 carried out under these rates.

German Negotiations.
It appears that the Government was negotiating with a German engineering concern about the building of a municipal waterworks system for Wuchow for which \$500,000 Hong Kong currency was quoted. The local officials refused to buy this amount of Hong Kong dollars on the local market at that day's rate of exchange—approximately 75 cents to the dollar—hence the proclamation. As a result of this, the banks and money-changers are maintaining a passive form of resistance to the extent of refusing to deal in Hong Kong or Canton currencies.

Moneychangers Arrested.
It is very hard indeed to sell local paper and impossible unless one is fortunate to have a friend who is either a banker or money-changer. In that case, the old rates of exchange are used, but the transaction is supposed to be kept secret. Already several money-changers have been arrested and placed in gaol until the exchange question is definitely settled by the Government.

Police v. Blind Men.

Several nights ago, an event took place which soon became known all over the city, causing no little merriment at the expense of the Municipal Police Department. It appears that Wuchow city boasts of only nine blind men, who are registered as such with the police and who are organised together into a union for the purpose of plying their avocation. This consists of massaging those who find it difficult to sleep these hot nights. It has been the custom of these men to meet each morning at three and gamble with their night's earnings. Being unable to see, cards were not used but notched bamboo sticks substituted. A zealous police sergeant seeing them together, investigated and finding that they were disobeying the police regulations concerning gambling, warned them that they would be arrested.

Sergeant Stabbed.

Gambling is a government monopoly and is only permitted in licensed premises. So at night, later while making his rounds, this sergeant again saw the same company handling deftly the notched sticks. Sliding up noiselessly, he grabbed the bundle of sticks from the hands of one man to bear back to the Police station with his prisoners as evidence. To his consternation, immediately upon the loss of the sticks, the holder lunged forward to recover his property and caught the sergeant around the neck, holding him tightly, at the same time letting forth a terrible shriek and informing his companions of his loss. Immediately they all closed in upon the unfortunate sergeant, and in the "battle" the officer was stabbed several times in the chest and mouth.

Search For Help.

Due to the latter wound, he was unable to blow his whistle for help, and all nine blind men escaped. Staggering down the street in search of help, the wounded officer collapsed at the feet of a patrolman, who promptly took him to the Municipal Hospital. Several hours later, he was able to tell his story to the astonished physicians and his chief. The following night detectives were sent to the homes of the blind men, and succeeded in arresting all nine. They are now on trial, and those found guilty of stabbing the officer will probably be shot.

Rivers in Flood.

Due to the excessive rains these last few days, the West River and the Fu River have been raging torrents. Last Saturday, the water-gauge showed over 23 feet of water at the Customs pier, with the water rising. Undoubtedly, it will soon reach the 30 foot mark.

Dr. Geo. W. Leavell of the St. Memorial Hospital has left for Kailang, in Honan province. He has gone in response to a telegram asking for his services in caring for the many thousands of wounded soldiers in that section. Several weeks ago, President Maxwell of the China Medical Association issued a circular telegram appealing for help in this emergency.

A few days ago an execution took place of two pirates who had been brought down from the interior. They had long been sought by the Government.

The port is glad to welcome to its growing trade, the motor ship "Fuk On," Captain Singling. Our own correspondent

THE INFANTS' CASE.

JUSTICE WOOD'S JUDGMENT REVERSED.

VERDICT NOT UNANIMOUS.

The decision by Mr. Justice J. R. Wood (Paisne Judge now on leave), given when he was acting as Chief Justice last year, in what is known as the "Infants' Mortgage Case," was reversed (with costs) when the Full Court of Appeal pronounced judgment yesterday.

Sir Henry Gollan (Chief Justice) and Sir Peter Grain (Judge of H.B.M.'s Court at Shanghai) found for the infants. Mr. Justice Wood adhered to his original decision, finding for the other side.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master) applied for fourteen days' stay of execution and this was granted. Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. and Mr. H. G. Sheldon (instructed by Messrs. G. K. Hall Brutton & Co.) were for Lo Kwong-lam and Lo Kwong-hin, sons of a former Macao millionaire.

Fraud Alleged.
These Lo brothers were plaintiffs in the Supreme Court in an action against Mr. Li Koon-chun and Mr. Kan Tong-po, two well-known Chinese merchants.

The case concerned a mortgage on local property for \$400,000, the brothers asking that their responsibility (one-third interest) be declared null and void, and that one-third of the whole be re-assigned to them by the defendants.

Mr. Justice Wood found in the Supreme Court that the plaintiff brothers had deliberately exercised for themselves the legal capacity of adults, fraudulently, and gave judgment for the defendants. Plaintiffs appealed. Hearing came before the Full Court a few months ago when Sir Peter Grain came down from Shanghai.

The Chief Justice.
At the conclusion of the long judgment read yesterday, the Chief Justice said:—

"I am of opinion that no express representation has been conclusively brought home to either of the plaintiffs in this case, that this appeal should be allowed, and that they are entitled to the relief they ask for in paragraph seven of the statement of claim, with costs here and in the Court below."

Sir Peter Grain's judgment supported that of the Chief Justice, concluding as follows:—

"...I am of opinion that there is no evidence of that clear, conclusive and explicit character which has been held so necessary in many reported cases to establish a plea of fraud (by the defendants, respondents). I am therefore of opinion that the mortgage deed is null and void.... that this appeal be allowed, and that the appellants are entitled to the relief asked for in the statement of claim, with costs here and in the Court below."

VISIT TO MACAO.

QUEEN'S RENEW OLD TIES.

By courtesy of his Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, the band of the Queen's Royal Regiment paid a visit to Macao last week end, the occasion marking the renewal of amicable relations that have existed since this regiment's establishment. The Queen's Royal Regiment was founded by Queen Catherine, consort of King Charles II of England. Queen Catherine was a Portuguese princess, by birth of the House of Braganza, and the tie between this regiment and Portugal is therefore particularly strong. This tie was further strengthened when the regiment fought at Ceuta, side by side with the Portuguese, and again in the Peninsula War when the regiment served in Portugal and rendered help to the ancient allies of England to overcome the might of Napoleon.

TEASERS.

Answer The "China Mail" Questions.

TO-DAY'S POSERS.

From day to day a series of half a dozen questions, not tremendously difficult to answer but not always so simply solved as may be thought, appear on this page. Answers are given on page nine.

1. What is yarn?
2. Who is St. Barnabas?
3. What is Rock butter?
4. What is the sixth planet from the Sun?
5. Who is the official custodian of the Great Seal that is used for sealing all state documents of importance?
6. What is the name of E. E. Benson's first novel?

ANTI-NIPPONISM.

(Continued from Page 1.)

NEW METHODS.

How the Boycott is to be Carried On.

Wuchow, Monday.

On Friday, May 18, at 3 p.m., the anti-Japanese boycott officially commenced. No further importation of Japanese goods will be allowed from that time on. All present stocks must be quickly sold and not replaced. The method of handling this boycott will be different from former methods in that there will be no armed pickets seizing the goods and also when goods are seized they will not be sold by the picket union, but will be publicly burned. This boycott has been instigated by the merchants and students, and not by the Government, although the latter will not forbid the movement.—Our own correspondent.

CANTON GOVT.

Willing to Lead People to Help Nanking.

In connection with Tsinan, the Kwangtung Provincial Government sent a circular telegram on May 17. A free translation of the telegram reads, inter alia:—

"Up till now the mass of the Japanese people have as a rule professed neighbourly feeling of friendship. The Japanese premier, Tanaka, however, has acted directly against such avowal, and violating all principles of right, he has not only encroached upon the sovereignty of our country, but in doing so has acted against the wishes of his own people. It is earnestly to be hoped that the people of Japan will adhere closely to their declarations of friendship and at once take steps to correct the misguided policy of Tanaka. "Our Central Government should be requested to send strong protests to the Japanese Government, and fight for our rights with an unwavering spirit. As long as the principle of right exists, our grievance will ultimately be redressed. "This Government is ready to lead the whole mass of people in this province to the support of the Central Government in dealing with the present situation."

GENERAL OUTCRY.

Reports of Latest Canton Activities.

Canton, Yesterday.

The local native bankers feel they should answer the general-outcry for severance of all relations with the national enemy, the Japanese, and in consequence have announced their intention to cease all intercourse with Japanese. All current transactions with these people will be brought to a close, and no future undertakings will be entered into, and strict orders are being circulated to all banking branches throughout the country to act accordingly.

Deposits Withdrawn. Since the announcement of the clash with the Japanese in Tsinan, Chinese depositors have been steadily withdrawing their deposits in Japanese banks, and transferring to Chinese banks. In consequence the Chinese banks are enjoying an abnormal volume of deposits far in excess of the usual amount of money paid in. In some quarters it is said that the present volume of deposits sent to native bankers is several times the value of deposits ordinarily turned in.

Warehouse Boycott. The extensive Nam Yeung (Nanyo Co.) warehouses at Fongchuen are operated by Japanese. These warehouses do a tremendous volume of business with the native rice merchants, and practically all rice imported finds its way into these godowns.

Since the Tsinan affair, the rice merchants have fallen in line with the popular outcry against the Japanese, and in sympathy with the general movement, have begun to withdraw their stores from these premises. It is expected that the entire quantity of rice at present in these godowns will be cleared within three days.

Swatow Resolution. Advice from Swatow is to the effect that the arrival of a Japanese gunboat there and the landing of Japanese marines has had the effect of intensifying the people's feeling against the Japanese.

On May 14, a meeting was convened by the merchants. The gathering was unanimously in favour of cutting off all contact with Japanese, and particular action is being taken by the dealers in marine products, mainly supplied by Japanese, to cease ordering these goods and to suspend the sale of such goods, sundries and luxury articles of Japanese origin. This boycott was to take effect from the day of the meeting. It is also reported that the Chinese bankers are in sympathy with

WHAT HAPPENED?

THREE VERSIONS OF AN ALLEGED ASSAULT.

DEFENDANT DISCHARGED.

Because the complainant and witnesses for the prosecution gave three different versions of what was alleged to have occurred, Major C. Willson yesterday afternoon discharged a Chinese named Ng Tak-wing brought before him for an alleged assault on Chinese District Watchman No. 29 in Des Voeux-road Central on May 14. The watchman stated that the trouble occurred after he had searched another man whose behaviour was suspicious. Not finding anything of an incriminating nature on the man, he was released. Accused then came up and demanded what right the watchman had to search people in the streets. The alleged assault complained of was accused's attempt to drag the watchman towards an Indian policeman, and when the watchman refused to be dragged, the accused was alleged to have struck him in the face and then run away. Chase was given and accused was arrested in Cleverly-street.

Words, a Blow and a Chase. Another District Watchman said that after the suspect had been searched, he and No. 29 saw the accused and the other man speaking to two Indian constables. They walked across the road to the accused. A few words were exchanged between No. 29 and the accused, and then the latter struck No. 29 a blow on the jaw and ran away. He was arrested after a chase.

One of the Indian constables, B34 said that he saw D.W. No. 29 search accused and not another man as the watchmen had deposed. The accused refused to be searched. The D.W. appealed to the witness who was with another Indian constable, and witness told the accused to submit. Instead, the accused struck D.W. No. 29 and then ran away. The witness gave chase and arrested him.

Mr. F. H. Meeby, for the defence pointed out the discrepancy between the evidence of the three witnesses, and submitted that in view of that his Worship could not possibly proceed with the case.

Major Willson agreed that it was no use going any further, and without calling the other Indian constable, decided to discharge the accused.

Mr. Loseby then withdrew a cross-summons brought by the accused against D.W. No. 29, remarking that he preferred to let the matter drop altogether.

This summons was accordingly dismissed.

BRITISH CURRENCY.

COMMONS PASS THIRD READING OF BILL.

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons has passed the third reading by 219 votes to 101 of the Currency and Bank Notes bill.—Reuter.

the movement and that they have voted to cease all transactions with Japanese.

SOVIET'S VIEWS.

Neighbourly Policy of Non-Interference.

Moscow, Yesterday. M. Chicherin interviewed in regard to the Tsinan affair and the Japanese Memorandum to the Peking authorities, said that the Soviet attitude was absolutely negative. The Soviet could not directly or indirectly approve of any intervention or military occupation, particularly of China. The Soviet Government policy was one of good neighbourly relations with China and absolute non-interference in Chinese internal affairs.

Replying to a question, M. Chicherin said that he was now informed that Japanese soldiers, after attempting to occupy the Soviet military compound in Peking later left it. He emphasised that the compound was Soviet property and no troops whatsoever had any right to occupy it.—Reuter.

TSINAN PARLEY.

Conference Between Japanese and Southerners.

Tokyo, Yesterday. A message from Tsinan states that as a result of the conference between the Southerners and the Japanese, Japan has agreed to return the Chinese who were made prisoners, and the munitions captured from the local Chinese police. It is understood that the munitions will be returned to the Southerners to-morrow, though owing to the necessity of settling expenses and other questions, the return of the prisoners may be delayed.—Reuter.

THE GALLANT 51ST.

SPLENDID WAR WORK GRATEFULLY RECALLED.

SIR PHILIP GIBBS' TRIBUTE.

Memories of an eye-witness of famous war episodes were recalled by Sir Philip Gibbs, the war correspondent, who was one of the principal guests at the 12th reunion dinner of the 51st (Highland) Division Dinner Club at the Hotel Victoria, London. Major-General Sir Richard Bannantine, Allanson presided over a large gathering, which included, among others, Lieutenant-General Sir Reginald B. Stephens (Director-General, Territorial Army), Lieutenant-General Sir Aylmer Hunter-Weston, M.P., Major-General L. C. L. Oldfield, and Brigadier-Generals A. Symons, Sir William Alexander, M. J. MacCarthy, and J. G. H. Hamilton.

Before giving the toast of the King the Chairman announced the receipt of a message from His Majesty in reply to a loyal message of greeting sent by the club, relating the "Glasgow Herald".

The Late Sir Walter Ross. General Bannantine - Allanson afterwards voiced the regret felt at the death of Sir Walter Ross, whom he described as one of the most popular Brigadiers in France. Commending the appeal of the Queen Victoria Memorial School at Dunblane in connection with the proposed institution of scholarships at Woolwich and Sandhurst, he mentioned that the Highland Division had been able to collect £345 towards the £500 aimed at.

Lieutenant-General Sir Reginald B. Stephens, Director-General of the Territorial Army, proposed the toast of "Our Glorious Dead," which was honoured in silence after pipers of the London Scottish had played "The Flowers of the Forest."

Special Qualities of the Scot. Sir Philip Gibbs, proposing the toast of "The 51st (Highland) Division," regarded it an especial honour as a Sassenach to be entrusted with that duty. He felt, however, that he had a little claim to do so, for the Division was not unknown to him, because all through the Great War he was a chief among them taking notes. He occupied a position which most of them despised, that of a war correspondent, but his old notebooks which he kept tucked away in a cupboard were still stuffed with the achievements and the spirit of the glorious episodes of the 51st Division, which kept his pen very busy. He thought then, and he thought now, that the Scottish troops with whom he personally associated had some very special qualities of their own which marked them out as soldiers in the Great War.

Reviving personal memories of the 51st Highland Division, Sir Philip declared that it was the attack at Beaumont Hamel which determined the Germans to clear out of the Somme altogether and to retreat to the Hindenburg Line. The spirit of the 51st Division, however, was proved most of all in retreat, as was shown by the experience in March, 1918, when they lost 4,000 men and 219 officers, that was the most glorious episode of the Division, and the greatest tribute ever paid to them was when at that time the enemy sent them the message of "Good old 51st; still sticking it." (Applause.)

Colonel J. G. Fleming replied to the toast.

Colonel Sir Robert D. Moncreiffe proposed the toast of "The Guests," and Lieutenant-General Sir Charles Woolcombe and Lieutenant-General Sir Aylmer Hunter-Weston replied.

"AFTER HOURS."

SELLING BEER TO SOLDIERS IN KOWLOON.

Mrs. Anderson, proprietress of the Imperial Cafe, No. 60, Nathan-road, was this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. W. Schofield, charged with selling beer at a prohibited hour to men of the forces stationed in Kowloon on May 13, at 9.30 p.m. Inspector Ogg said that, on the Captain Superintendent of the Police receiving numerous complaints, as to the intoxicated condition of soldiers and others, they set to find the source of the trouble. They were informed that the above cafe might be one of the places they sought. Accordingly, on May 13, two Police sergeants were detailed to investigate the matter. They entered the cafe with two soldiers. At the meal that followed, four glasses of beer were served, one for each.

The accused said it was her usual custom, as the men always demand the beer, so I just give it to them. She added: "Why did the sergeants take the beer offered them. I think that is worse, than my act of giving it."

His Worship agreed with her on that point, and cautioned her against a similar offence in future. No fine was imposed.

U.S. COURT, CHINA.

QUESTION OF SALARIES DISCUSSED IN CONGRESS.

SCALE OF EMOLUMENTS.

It appears that problems which have confronted the officials of the United States Court for China—those which concern their living and household expenses—may be remedied in the near future, in view of the fact that a bill has been introduced in Congress by Mr. Dyer, U.S. Congressman, who has visited China on several occasions, which will increase their salaries by 25 per cent. Mr. Dyer, while in China, realised that the cost of living had increased and is now attempting to provide means whereby American Court officials' salaries will be placed on a basis commensurate with the cost of living of several years ago.

Mr. Dyer's Proposal. The Bill which Mr. Dyer introduced into the House of Representatives during the present session of Congress, on April 12, reads after the usual preliminaries as follows:—

The Judge of said court (U.S. Court for China) and the District Attorney, who shall be lawyers of good standing and experience, Marshal, and Clerk shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall receive as salary, respectively, the sums of \$10,000 per annum for said Judge, \$6,000 per annum for said District Attorney, \$4,000 per annum for said Marshal, and \$4,000 per annum for said clerk and the said Judge may, with the approval of the Secretary of State, and within such appropriations as may be made by Congress, appoint such clerical assistants and such other employees and incur such expenses as may be necessary to the proper conduct of the court. The Judge of the said court and the district attorney shall, when the sessions of the court are held at other cities than Shanghai, receive in addition to their salaries their necessary expenses during such sessions not to exceed \$10 per day for the Judge and \$5 per day for the district attorney.

Sec. 2. The United States Commissioner at Shanghai, China, shall hereafter receive an annual salary of \$5,000 in lieu of compensation fixed by the Secretary of State, and the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations for the Diplomatic and Consular Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921," is amended accordingly.

Presidential Approval.

In connection with Congressman Dyer's Bill, President Coolidge transmitted the following letter to Congress:—

April 11, 1928.

The White House, To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith a report from the Secretary of State regarding certain legislation authorising salary increases for the Judge and other officers of the United States Court for China. I concur in the view of the Secretary of State and I therefore request of the Congress legislation amending second 6 of the act of June 30, 1906, Public, No. 403, Fifty-ninth Congress, and the act of June 4, 1920, Public, No. 238, Sixty-sixth Congress.

In the report of the Secretary of State the following paragraph occurs:—

Figures available in the State Department show that in the 13½ years since June, 1914, the cost of living at Shanghai has more than doubled, having increased approximately 122½ per cent. The increase would be still greater if 1927 prices were compared with those of 1906, when the salaries of the court officials were established.

Accordingly, I have the honor to recommend that the Congress be requested to amend section 6 of the act of 1906 (Public, No. 403, 59th Cong., 34 Stat. 816), to authorise increases in salaries for the court officials mentioned above, i.e., Judge, \$8,000 to \$10,000; District Attorney, \$4,000 to \$6,000; Marshal—\$3,000 to \$4,000; Clerk, \$3,000 to \$4,000; and also to appropriate therefor.

Shadows Before

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Los Miserables."

To-day—World Theatre: "Paddock."

To-day—Star Theatre: "The Lone Eagle."

May 24—World Theatre: "The Frontiersman."

May 24—Star Theatre: "The Boy Friend."

Sports.

May 26-28—Fifth Extra Race meetings of the H.K. Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

June 3—Next meeting of the Macao Race Club.

Lammerts' Auctions.

May 25—Office and household furniture at Sales Room, Duddell-st., 2.30 p.m.

Land Sale.

May 29—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Kowloon, 3 p.m.

Meetings.

May 25—Fifty-fifth annual meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Union-bldg., 11 a.m.

May 25—Fifty-ninth annual meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Union-bldg., 11.15 a.m.

May 25—Sixty-second annual meeting of British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., Union-bldg., 11.20 a.m.

May 29—Half yearly meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, H.K. Club annex, 5.15 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

May 24—Official opening by H.E. The Officer Administering the Gov., of Cheer 'O new premises in City Hall, 6 p.m., when the Misses Doris and Aileen Woods will sing.

May 24—Theosophical society weekly public lecture "The Perfect Religion," 7, Duddell-st., 6 p.m.

May 24—Girl Guides parade at Government House, 10.15 a.m.

June 4—Reception at Government House in honour of the King's birthday.

June 5—First of a series of addresses at Union Church Hall, Kennedy-rd., on the Old Testament, by Mr. J. S. Flacks.

November 13—Matriculation, Senior and Junior Local exams, at the Hong Kong University.

MEDICINE POT.

EXPLODES AND BURNS CHINESE.

A Chinese named Lo Ping-yiu (41) and his son, Lo Woon-kwan (7) were yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital by the West Point police suffering from injuries received as the result of an explosion in their flat on the first floor of No. 250, Queen's-road West. Both suffered burns to the arms, face and chest. The man was mixing some Chinese medicine in a pot over a fire, with his son standing nearby when the pot suddenly exploded and the boiling medicine was splashed over both father and son.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

To-morrow being Empire Day,
there will be no Court at the
Central Magistracy.

Laredo, Texas, Yesterday.—Four
were killed and fifty injured in a
70-mile an hour hail and wind
storm here.—Reuter's American
Service.

According to the Russian papers,
it is proposed to engage Russian
watchmen for the Shanghai parks,
beginning June 1, the date when
the parks will be thrown open to
the Chinese.

Gen. Chien Ta-chun, Commis-
sioner of Gendarmerie, has decided
to establish a school for the train-
ing of detectives and secret ser-
vice workers, his aim being to make
his plain-clothes service more effi-
cient.

Paris, Yesterday.—According to
"Le Journal," a number of deputies
intend to introduce in the Chamber
a motion declaring that the Poin-
care Cabinet of National Union has
deserved well of the country.—
Havas.

Charged at the Kowloon Magis-
tracy yesterday with landing at
Stonecutters Island without permis-
sion, two boatmen who, with many
others, were searching for shell-fish
on the foreshore, were fined \$7 each
by Mr. W. Schofield. The alterna-
tive was ten days' hard labour.

As the result of a fall in
attempting to alight from a motor
bus whilst it was in motion near
the China Light and Power Com-
pany's installation on the Lai-
chikok-road, a Chinese sustained
severe injuries from which he died
soon after his admission to hospi-
tal.



H. Hoover.

Marie Ivasoff, 35, a Russian
woman living at 109 Seymour-road,
who has been before the Provi-
sional Court on a number of previ-
ous occasions, was brought up
charged with being drunk and dis-
orderly and with damaging prop-
erty belonging to Mrs. Anti-
penko. Complainant said that she
was quite prepared to pay all ex-
penses in connection with accused's
deportation. The Court ordered that
accused should be detained pend-
ing her deportation to Harbin.

Yesterday Mr. W. Schofield
heard further evidence, at the Kow-
loon Magistracy, in the case in
which a crowd of Chinese rowdies
were alleged to have assaulted a
bus driver and a conductor in
Canton-road on May 12, following
an accident to a small boy knocked
down by the bus. The defendants
claimed that they were in a tea-
house when, on hearing the commo-
tion, they went outside to investi-
gate and were arrested by the
police. Another adjournment was
made.

Sir Frederick Whyte has return-
ed to Shanghai, arriving there by
the "Empress of Asia." It may be
remembered that he was there dur-
ing the past year, after having at-
tended a meeting of the Pan-
Pacific Association in Honolulu,
when he headed the delegation
from India. He then spent a con-
siderable time travelling through
China, and his views on the situa-
tion in Shanghai were afterwards
embodied in a series of articles
published in "The Times." It is
not known how long he intends to
remain in China on his present
visit.

Aboard the P. & O. s.s. "Mon-
golia" on the way home, St.
George's Day was celebrated in
fitting style. Mr. W. H. Tren-
chard-Davis was appointed Presi-
dent of the committee in charge,
with Major Tatlow, Vice-President,
and Mr. Bewley Bird, Hon. Secre-
tary. Under their auspices a re-
ception was held at the bar from
12.15 to 1 p.m. when the 54 Eng-
lishmen on board entertained the
passengers of other nationalities.
In the afternoon children's sports
were held, and following a special
dinner a grand ball took place in
the evening. The celebrations
were a conspicuous success and
reflected credit on those from the
Far East who had been associated
with the management of the
functions in past years.

Two cases of enteric were noti-
fied locally on Tuesday.

The forthcoming marriage is an-
nounced of Mr. E. A. de Souza, Nos.
69/71, Cooke-street, Kowloon, and
Miss J. M. d'Assumpcao da Luz,
No. 6, Pilken-street.

Rio de Janeiro, Yesterday.—The
death is announced of Dr. Alvaro
Alvin, the famous X-ray expert, who
carried on his experiments despite
the loss of both hands.—Reuter's
American Service.



SIR BASIL THOMSON

New York, Yesterday.—The
Dutch liner, "Veendam," which col-
lided with the American steamer
"Porto Rico" in a fog at Lower
Bay on Saturday, sank alongside
the pier at Hoboken.—Reuter's
American Service.

The Macao police have arrested
four Chinese alleged to have been
concerned in a junk piracy in
Capulmun on March 26 last. One
of the suspects was arrested on
land, and later the Portuguese
police boarded a fishing boat in
Macao harbour and took three
others in custody. The four sus-
pects will be deported to Hong
Kong for trial.

A belated report was made to the
police yesterday by a Wing Lok-
street shop-keeper who alleged that
on Sunday a swindler visited his
shop and purchased a gramophone
and 18 records, ordering the things
to be delivered at an address in
Robinson-road. The cooie, who
delivered the articles, received pay-
ment with a \$100 Hong Kong bank-
note which, when examined at the
shop, was found to be counterfeit.

Yesterday a Chinese was
cautioned by Lieut.-Col. F. Eaves,
D.S.O., at the Central Magistracy,
when he was charged with hawking
old shoes in West Point without a
licence. This morning the man was
again brought before the Court
charged with a similar offence. A
Chinese policeman gave evidence
that he actually saw the accused sell
a pair of shoes for 30 cents. The
Magistrate remarked that he had
cautioned the accused once, and
could not do so again. He imposed
a fine of \$2.

The latest number of the "Sport-
ing & Dramatic News" to reach
Shanghai contains the first instal-
ment of a series of articles by
Lieut.-Col. C. H. Stockley entitled
"With the Rifle in India." A
photograph of the author in mufti
indicates that he is a man well-
known in Shanghai as having for
the better part of a year command-
ed a battalion of Punjabis in
Shanghai in the Jhansi Brigade.
On leaving Shanghai Col. Stockley
arranged to go on a shooting trip
with Mr. R. F. C. Easter, but ac-
cording to latest advice, although
they covered some 300 miles of
territory, the big game shooting
was very poor.

In H.M. Supreme Court, Shang-
hai, before His Honour Judge King,
the case of Jos. King and others v.
Thos. Freeman was brought up,
when an injunction was asked to
restrain defendant from manu-
facturing and selling goods as
"Thomas Freeman's Country Saus-
age and Pork Pies." Mr. H. D.
Rodger appeared for plaintiffs,
while defendant was not represent-
ed by counsel. His Lordship said
that he could not grant an in-
junction in view of the form in
which the motion had been present-
ed; there were no supporting affi-
davits. The object of an in-
junction was to have a position of
status quo, and it seemed to His
Lordship that the whole question
revolved around the determination
of the validity of a contract. In
such circumstances His Lordship
advised the case line up to al-
low the management of the
functions in past years.

The Nationalist aviation author-
ities will hold a rational confer-
ence in Nanking on August 1 next.

Washington, Yesterday.—Presi-
dent Coolidge has signed the Naval
Appropriation Bill providing for an
expenditure of \$362,000,000.—Reu-
ter's American Service.

Reports in the Chinese Press to
the effect that the cables to Chefoo
had been interrupted were denied
upon inquiry at the Chinese Tele-
graph Administration.

Colonel Stewart-Riddle who
since the Armistice has been chief
of one of the sections of the Mil-
itary Inter-Allied Commission of
Control, Berlin, has arrived in
Shanghai on a short visit and is
staying at the Majestic Hotel.

A meeting will be held at the
Yih Ping Shang Hotel to discuss
the matter of subscriptions from
merchants in connection with the
bronze statue which is to be erect-
ed in front of the Shanghai North
Station of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Accra, Yesterday.—The eminent
Japanese bacteriologist, Professor
Hideo Noguchi, of the Rockefeller
Institute of Medical Research, who
arrived here in November last to
investigate yellow fever, has died of
yellow fever, contracted during a
laboratory experiment.—Reuter.

As a sign of the humiliation
which the Chinese people have
undergone in recent years, the Na-
tionalist Government is consider-
ing a proposal by which all Chinese
must stop wearing long gowns and
don, instead, costumes of the
Chungshan (Sun Yat-sen) pattern.



P. Uzdum.

The "Eastern Times" says that
the Fengtien authorities are now
depending upon cultivation as their
main source of revenue. District
magistrates, it is said, have been
instructed to encourage opium
growing and the total area now
under cultivation is 2,000,000 mow.
There are now no restrictions on
the opium traffic.

The "Eastern Times" reports
that a recommendation has been
made by the Political department
of the War Council to the effect
that the Board of Education should
draft a complete history of the
humiliations China has suffered at
the hands of the foreign Powers
and that these should be used as
text-books in schools throughout the
country.

At Wayside Police Station,
Chief Inspector Crookdake and
Sergeant Harrison, who are
going on home leave, re-
ceived, respectively, as marks of
goodwill from their comrades, a
handsome silver fable centry-
piece and a gold wrist watch.
Inspector Morgan making the pre-
sentation to Chief Inspector Crook-
dake and Inspector Kiloh that to
Sergeant Harrison, with appropriate
speeches in each case. Following
the presentation, there was a sing-
song, with such melody as only
Wayside (Shanghai) can produce.

The Duke of Gloucester, on his
first appearance at a public function
since he took his new title, attend-
ed the annual dinner of the British
Olympic Games Association at the
Connaught Rooms. "Personally I
love all sports and games," he said,
"but I favour mostly those played
from the back of a horse. (Laugh-
ter). What a pity it is
that the events at Amsterdam do
not include an international fox
hunt—(Cheers and laughter)—say
a team of six a side, and the first
six home of any country to win
Points could be deducted for over-
riding or injuring hounds, any
riding or jumping hounds, and any
qualified. Knowing what H.K. I
do about this, I am sure that the
hounds would be the best of the
lot." The Duke then turned to the
petitors to be crowned.

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Sport Columns

HOME CRICKET.

RAIN SPOILS A LOT OF MATCHES.

KENT LICKS NORTHANTS.

London, Yesterday. Rain interfered with all the County cricket matches. At Northampton Kent defeated the home team by an innings and 69 runs.

Northants scored 150, Freeman taking six for 52; and 233 (Jupp 107 not out), Freeman securing seven more wickets for 116.

Kent made 452 for seven declared (Ashdown 178). At Nelson Lancashire beat Warwickshire by 176 runs.

Lancs made 204 and 215 for two declared (Hallows 164). Warwick made 107 and 136.

At Nottingham Notts took first innings points from Leicestershire.

Notts scored 203 and 32 for one. Leicestershire made 144, Larwood taking four for 9.

At Oxford the University and Gloucestershire drew. Gloucestershire scored 344 (Dipper 110) and 182 for two declared (Dipper 78 not out).

Oxford made 315 and 44 for two. At Lords M.C.C. score 65 for one against West Indies.

At Southampton Hampshire won on first innings against Worcestershire.

Worcestershire scored 244 (Gibbons 107) and 134 for six. Hants made 329 (Mead 129).

The following do not count in the Championship table: At the Oval Essex scored 94 for two against Surrey.

At Chesterfield Derbyshire made 164 for 7 declared. Somersetshire scored 38 for one.

At Hull Sussex made 247 (Cook 105) and Yorkshire scored 49 for one. —Reuter.

A FINE FIGHT.

MANDELL PUNISHES McLARNIN.

New York, Yesterday. In the World's Lightweight Championship in which Sammy Mandell beat Jimmy McLarnin on points, the fight was one of the greatest exhibitions of boxing skill in that class since Benny Leonard was in his prime. Mandell slashed and tore McLarnin for fifteen rounds but was unable to knock him out. McLarnin's left eye was closed, his right eye partly closed and his nose bleeding badly, but he fought every inch of the way. Twenty thousand spectators applauded his bulldog courage. —Reuter's American Service.

DULEEPSINHJI.

FAMOUS LIGHT BLUE BACK TO CRICKET.

K. S. Duleepsinhji, who was in Switzerland, returned to England early in April, and started practice at once.

This was acceptable news for cricketers everywhere, not only Cambridge men, because if he can completely throw off the effects of his severe illness he must be regarded as a possible choice for the England team which will tour Australia in the winter.

Duleepsinhji showed in the three matches he played last summer that he was an even better batsman than in 1926.



The world's fastest man, Charlie Paddock, on the mark while training for the coming Olympic Games. If Paddock makes the American team this year, he will be the only sprinter to compete in three Olympics. The great runner holds several world records.

MR. LEE HYSAN.

SIMPLE FUNERAL ON FRIDAY.

ROUTE THROUGH THE CITY.

Simplicity will be the keynote of the funeral of the late Mr. Lee Hysan on Friday.

The cortege leaves the house, No. 32 (new number 74), Kennedy-road, at 10 a.m. The usual paraphernalia used in important Chinese funerals will not be employed.

The procession will travel along Queen's-road East to Queen's-road Central, past the banks and on to the old fire station, continuing by Queen's-road, past Mr. Lee's firm, Lai Cheong Loong (No. 202, Queen's-road), thence into Nam Pak Hong, by Des Vaux-road West, into Hill-road, along Queen's-road West, Belcher-street, to the "Yat Pit Ting" pavilion in Kennedy Town where friends will be able to pay their last respects between 1 and 2 p.m.

The interment will be at the Chinese Permanent Cemetery, Aberdeen.

might solve the problem if only he could communicate his orders immediately to the stewards during the progress of the round, and so secure concerted action. I believe that nearly all the spectators would help to preserve order if they knew as a body exactly what the officials wanted them to do.

It was during a British Amateur Championship at Sandwhich that the late Ryder Richardson introduced the megaphone as a means of keeping the crowds in correct formation. The need for it was not so great as it might be at, say, Prestwick. Sandwhich is too remote and sequestered to attract large multitudes of spectators. Its crowds are always the smallest of the Championship assemblages.

Still, it was a good idea to try the megaphone on the smaller numbers by way of seeing how it would work. On the whole, it answered the purpose well, even though here and there a player engaged in a solemn study of a four-foot putt may have been startled by a staccato "Fore!" of deafening volume, or a blaring "Back on the right!" of almost unearthly resonance from behind an adjacent sandhill.

Distraction. When Bobby Jones and Davidson Herron met in the final of the United States Championship at Oakmont, Pittsburgh, the authorities pinned their faith to pantant-bearers and megaphone operators for the control of the crowd. They had no ropes.

Some thought the scheme worked well. Others were not so sure about it. It was said at the time that Jones owed his defeat in part at least, to a trumpet-call of "Fore!" which came from a megaphone just as he was swinging for his brassie shot to the twelfth hole in the afternoon.

He was three down at the time, but looked like winning this hole, since his opponent had played two shots in the rough, while Jones was in the middle of the fairway.

His brassie was descending when the megaphone roar came from less than twenty yards away. He topped the shot into a hazard twenty yards ahead, picked up after trying twice in vain to recover, and lost the hole instead of winning it. Still, that is not to say that the instrument in question is without its uses on a golf course when the people entrusted with the task of making the big noise take care to make it at the right moment.

There are critics who think that ropes carried round by squads of officials have ceased to be efficacious in this age of monster crowds; that the excited galleries simply trample down the ropes, which, therefore, add to the confusion instead of alleviating it.

Nevertheless, I think that the old, original scheme of ropes has a lot to recommend it, especially when there is always a squad of bearers a hole ahead getting the ropes into position while the players are at the preceding hole. —Harry Vardon in "Sports Dispatch."

AMATEUR GOLF.

COMPETITION OPENS AT HOME.

Prestwick, Yesterday. In the first round of the British amateur golf championship Major Hazlet, the Irish international, defeated the holder, Dr. Tweddell, of Stourbridge 3 and 2. A. MacCullum, South Staffs defeated Tolley 5 and 4. —Reuter.

Shaw, the ex-Huddersfield full-back, is the only member of the West Bromwich Albion team who has not missed a match this season.

West Bromwich Albion have signed J. Barlas, a centre-forward and brother of the Huddersfield

TEASERS.

Answers to To-day's Questions.

1. Yarn is the textile thread or fibre spun into the form of soft or warp ready to be woven into fabrics.

2. A native of Cyprus, and is credited with having introduced Christianity into Antioch, and suffered martyrdom A.D. 61.

3. The name commonly given to petroleum when found in its solid state.

4. Saturn, from which it is distant about 872 millions of miles.

5. The Lord Chancellor.

6. "Dodo," published in 1893.

THE GREAT PYRAMID

INDICATION OF IMPENDING WONDERFUL EVENT.

The belief that the Anglo-Saxon race are the modern representatives of the Israel of old, that we are the descendants of Abraham and his son Isaac, and we enjoy the many blessings which were promised to his descendants, was expressed by Major J. Knowles, President of the British-Israel-World Federation at a meeting held under the auspices of the Federation at the Queen's Hall recently.

Mr. Herbert Garrison delivered a lecture on "The Great Pyramid," illustrated by a series of lantern pictures, during which he made many remarkable statements regarding the construction and meaning of the Pyramid.

A certain feature of the Pyramid, it had been suggested, indicated that something was going to happen on May 29 next, and continue for eight years. And they of the Federation said that something extremely significant—they might call it tribulation if they liked—was going to happen.

It might be that what was going to happen on May 29 might be nothing dramatic or spectacular, but Mr. Davidson, "the greatest living authority on the Pyramids," had staked his reputation that something would happen, and that, if it was not sufficiently important or impressive to be recognized by the man in the street, it would lead to something which would eventually be recognized by all intelligent people.

But they of the Federation were not panic mongers, and they said that, whatever it was, Britain would be safe and sound. Britain would be saved out of the tribulation, as Britain had been marvellously and divinely protected and blessed in the past. (Cheers.)

War in America Predicted.

Paris, "Peace in Europe and a terrible war towards 1940 in America are predictions of Mrs. Evangeline Adams, the American astrologist, who foretold the death of Edward VII. Mrs. Adams, now in Paris on her way to Berlin, prophesies that France will sign treaties of amity with Italy and Germany, and that towards August the customs difficulties between France and America will be happily solved.

"France," she declares, "will not be at war for many long years. On the other hand, I see the United States towards 1940 torn by a struggle of race, religion, and interest. It will be terrible."



Upper photo shows the original Lillenthal glider in flight. This glider was one of the very first planes after which the later models were designed. Lower photo shows the glider folded up. It weighs but 44 pounds. German aviation circles are elated over the fact that France has recognized the importance of Lillenthal's invention by commissioning Hans Richter to make an exact replica of the original to be placed in the Air Museum at Meudon.

May-days are Pay-days

AND

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EVERY DAY

A DOLLAR DAY

AT

WHITEAWAYS

THIS WEEK

THE PRIMATE.

FRIEND OF TEN PRIME MINISTERS.

In the same Guildhall where he was welcomed on his enthronement twenty-five years ago, Dr. Randall Davidson, the Primate, signed the Freeman's roll and took the quaintly-worded oath, relates the "Morning Post."

In Touch With Kings. The Archbishop, who spoke with vigour, said that the circumstances of his life had brought him on intimate terms with ten Prime Ministers, six or seven of whom he might say had been his intimate friends. Besides that, from the highest to the lowest, from sovereigns downwards, he had been privileged to be in touch with great men. Among his personal friends he had been able to number literally hundreds of bishops and men who had held or were holding episcopal office. That ought to teach one something. Whether one had learnt it well or not was another matter. At least there had been an endeavour to acquire what was needed by degrees for the work that had been laid on his shoulders.

A difficulty, and he thought it belonged to the civic life as well as to the Church, was to find a sufficient supply of really first-rate men to hold prominent offices. They wanted them in the Church. There was no question about it. Enthusiastic cheers greeted the Archbishop as he emerged from the Guildhall. Headed by the Chief Constable and the Bishops, the Archbishop and the Mayor, followed by members of the Corporation in state, walked through the High-street and Mercery-lane to the Cathedral precincts. Everywhere Dr. Davidson was greeted with cheers. Subsequently a peal was rung on the Cathedral bells in celebration of the occasion. The speeches in the Guildhall were heard by a large crowd outside the building by means of loud speakers.

A Beloved Archbishop. An address from the clergy of the diocese was presented to the Archbishop in celebration of the birthday. In this it was stated that:

"No Archbishop has ever been so beloved and regarded with such confidence by all branches of the Anglican Communion as Your Grace; and no Archbishop has possessed so wide a range of knowledge of the other provinces and their problems, or displayed an equal interest in Bishops and clergy working overseas.

You have done more than any other living person to commend the character and call of the Church of England to all Christian people.

"We would only add that we are happy in being your own clergy; and that we thank God most heartily for our Archbishop."

Mr. Robinson had taken his wife to task for what he considered to be a silly action.

"Well, Herbert," she said, "I know I do foolish things sometimes, and you'll admit the same won't you?"

"Yes," agreed hubby, "I know you do!"

MONEY & SHARES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	2/1 1/2
Bank, on demand	2/1 3/16
Bank, 30 days' sight	—
Bank, 4 months' sight	2/1 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	2/2 1/2
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/2 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand	1302 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1377 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	51 1/4
Credits, 60 days' sight	52 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	139 1/2
On demand	139 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	139 1/2
On demand	139 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	90 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	102 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	75 1/2
30 days' sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama—	
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	110
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.25
Silver (per oz.)	28 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	4 1/2 % prem.
Chinese Copper Cash note	—
Chinese Copper Cents 6 1/2 % prem	—
Rate of Native Interest	7 % p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	32 % dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par	—

THE SHARE MARKET.

Stock	Hong Kong	Stock	Exchange
T.T. on London	2/1 1/2		
T.T. on Shanghai	75 1/2		
Bank—			
Hongkong Bank	\$123 1/4	b	n
do. Lon. Reg.	\$134 1/4	b	n
Chartered Bank	\$21 1/4	b	n
Mercantile A. & B.	\$38 1/4	b	n
do. C.	\$14 1/4	b	n
P. & O. Bank	\$2 1/4	b	n
Bank of East Asia	\$7 1/2	b	n
Insurance—			
Canton Insurance	\$620	s	n
Union Insurance	\$342	sa	b
Nat. China Insurance	\$140	b	n
Yongtau Insurance	\$50	b	n
China Underwriters	\$2 1/2	b	n
China Fire Insurance	\$220	b	n
H.K. Fire Insurance	\$7.50	n	n
Shipping—			
Douglas	\$40	s	n
H.K. Steamship	\$28 1/4	n	n
H.K. Tug & Lighters	\$24	n	n
Indo-China (Freight)	\$67	b	n
do. (Def.)	\$78	n	n
Shell Transport	\$94	n	n
Water-works	\$204	n	n
Mining—			
Benguel	\$1 1/2	n	n
Kailan Mining Ad.	\$60	n	n
Langkat (Combined)	\$12.20	b	n
do. (Single)	\$6.50	b	n
Shanghai Explorations	\$2.80	b	n
Shanghai Loans	\$7 1/2	b	n
Bauis	\$4	n	n
Trench Mines	\$17 1/2	n	n
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & S. Wharves	\$130 1/4	n	n
H.K. & W. Docks	\$40 1/4	n	n
China Providents	\$5 1/2	sa	b
Hongkong	\$180	b	n
New Engineering	\$10	n	n
Shanghai Docks	\$110	n	n
Cotton Mills—			
Ewo Cottons	\$8 1/2	b	n
Oriental Cottons	\$2.20	n	n
Shai Cottons (Old)	\$50 1/2	b	sa
Shai Cottons (New)	\$29	n	n
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$8 1/2	b	sa
Hongkong Land	\$63 1/2	b	sa
Shanghai Land	\$144	b	n
Humphreys Estates	\$144	n	n
Hongkong Realities	\$8 1/2	b	sa
H.K. Realities	\$8 1/2	b	sa
Public Utilities—			
H.K. Tramways	\$24 1/2	s	n
Peak Tram (old)	\$13 1/2	n	n
do. (new)	\$8 1/2	n	n
Star Ferry	\$94 1/2	n	n
China Light	\$11	s	n
do. (old)	\$10 1/2	n	n
do. 1928 issue	\$7	n	n
H.K. Electric	\$30 1/2	n	n
H.K. Telephone	\$24 1/2	n	n
Macao Electric	\$5 1/2	b	n
H.K. Buses	\$9	b	n
Singapore Tractions	\$9 1/2	b	n
Industrials—			
China Sugar	\$2 1/2	b	sa
Malayan Sugar	\$2 1/2	n	n
Canton Ice	\$3	s	n
Cement (comb.)	\$8 1/2	n	n
do. (old)	\$8 1/2	n	n
do. (new)	\$11 1/2	b	sa
H.K. Ropes (old)	\$7.10	n	n
do. (new)	\$150	b	sa
United Asbestos	\$10	n	n
Stores &c.			
Dairy Farms	\$22	s	n
Watsons	\$14	n	n
Der A. Wings	\$3.50	n	n
Jane, Crawfords	\$3 1/2	n	n
MacIntosh	\$20	n	n
Sincera	\$3	n	n
Wm. Powell	\$3	n	n
Miscellaneous—			
H.K. Amusements	\$23	b	sa
H.K. Constructions	\$1 1/2	n	n
H.K. B. Bonds	\$2	n	n
H.K. Govt. Loans	5 % Prem.	n	n

The vicar of a Durham church asked his clerk to give out the following announcement:

"Sunday next there will be no morning service, as the vicar is going to officiate for another parson."

Being somewhat deaf, the clerk misconstrued the message, imagining the vicar's consternation when he heard the following announcement:

"Next Sunday there will be no morning service as the parson is going a-fishing with another parson."

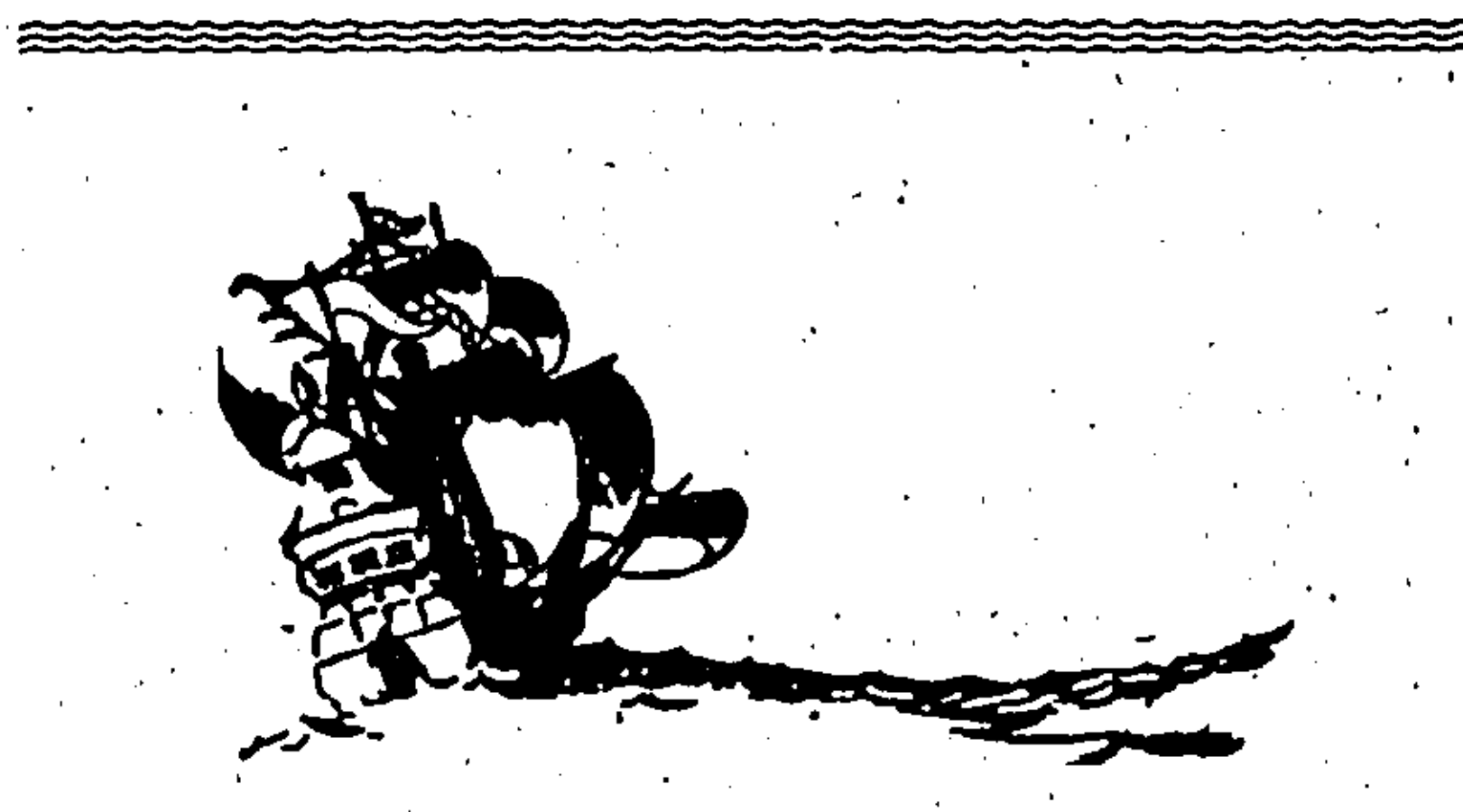
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Manchester.—To mark the completion of the extension of the Manchester offices of Allied Newspapers Ltd., a banquet was held on the premises, Sir William Berry, presiding. The banquet marked the inauguration of Allied House, the stately new home of Allied Newspapers.

The Chairman was supported by Sir Gomer Berry, Bt., vice-chairman, and the board of directors, and the 400 guests included leading representatives of the business administrative, and social life of the country.

At Allied House—which towers white handsomely over a sea of less lofty roofs—there can be produced 800,000 twelve-page or sixteen-page an hour, or 1,600,000 four-page or eight-page papers an hour. The paper is printed from five-mile reels at the rate of 800ft a minute. There are nearly forty double-octuple machines, with electric hoists to carry men and reels to the upper tiers, and each carries 128 printing plates, weighing 3½ tons. The weekly consumption of paper exceeds 1,200 tons.

Sir William Berry in his speech said that they had now in Manchester the largest newspaper building not only in Great Britain but in the whole world. It housed the biggest newspaper printing plant to be found anywhere under one roof or owned by one company, and many more linotype and typesetting machines than in any office in the world. They printed there from Saturday afternoon to early Sunday 5,000,000 newspapers—simply the week-end consumption.

Newspaper Groups.

A good deal had been heard lately of the danger to the public of large groups of newspapers. He did not share those misgivings. Newspapers could only exist by the respect and interest of their readers, and power misused led either to the decay of the newspaper itself or the loss of its influence on its readers and the decadence of the paper into a mere news-distributing machine. Moreover, as Mr. Philip Snowden pointed out recently, large groups meant better wages and better conditions for the employees.

Paying a high tribute to provincial journalism, Sir William expressed the opinion that, partly at any rate, because they avoided propaganda methods, the efficiently conducted morning and evening papers of the provinces had a stronger influence than some of the more widely distributed London papers.

Speaking for myself and my colleagues on the board of Allied Newspapers and the other companies associated with us," he concluded, "I can say very definitely that we appreciate fully our responsibilities as conductors of newspapers, and, while realising our duty to many thousands of shareholders, we are also mindful of our duty to the public at large and to the nation as a whole."

Pride in Building.

We are also delighted to have with us editors and proprietors of other journals, including Mr. J. R. Scott, the managing director of our friendly rival in this city, and Mr. Allen Jeans, successor to his distinguished father in the control of those great journals the "Liverpool Post" and the "Evening Echo." And among our guests, too, are Sir Charles Clifford, of the "Sheffield Daily Telegraph," Mr. Tebbutt, who controls the "North Mail" and the "Newcastle Chronicle"; and Mr. David Anderson, who acts in that capacity in regard to the "Glasgow Daily Record" and the "Glasgow Evening News."



MARION DAVIES and HARRY CROCKER in 'THE TOILER'

surprising that it should be possible to say this of a building which is not situated in the capital of the country, very surprising, indeed, when you call to mind the imposing illustrations and the widely published claims of some of our London friends. But such is the case, and London, has a long way to go to catch up in this respect at any rate with Manchester.

In this building are printed and published two daily papers, one evening paper, two Sunday journals, in addition to the Northern editions of the "Daily Sketch" and the "Sunday Graphic." To do this we have gradually built up a plant, which is the biggest newspaper printing plant to be found anywhere under one roof or owned by one company.

To give you some idea of the output, we print here at the week-end, from Saturday afternoon to early Sunday morning, no fewer than 5,000,000 newspapers.

sum of something like half a million of money out of the current resources of the company, without making any capital issue for the purpose. This is a statement which would, perhaps, be of more interest at a meeting of our shareholders, but I do not feel it is necessary to make any apology for referring to it on the present occasion.

And, finally, I would mention that our organisation here continues to be under the able and efficient control of two gentlemen who have been citizens of Manchester for many years, and who are well known to the majority of those present, Mr. Jeremias and Mr. Paterson.

This is the home of the "Daily Dispatch," a journal familiar to you all. Despite the competition from what I might call outside sources, the "Daily Dispatch" has consistently maintained its position as the popular morning newspaper of the North. Its circulation is now larger than it has ever been in the whole certificate covering the sales for the six months ended March 31 last. This will show that after deducting all free and unsold copies the "Daily Dispatch" has an absolutely net sale averaging 424,688 copies per day for the whole of that period, and I am happy to inform you that at the present time the number is substantially higher than that figure, the net sales for the present month being over 500,000 copies per day.

The "Daily Dispatch" is what I might call a semi-national paper, inasmuch as its sale extends over not only Manchester and Lancashire, but a very wide area outside. Indeed, this is obvious from the figures I have given you, figures which denote not only what is far and away the largest circulation of any provincial journal, but also excellent, in its area, that of any newspaper published in London.

Rediscovering Provinces.

I was very interested to read the other day that my friend Lord Rothermere had discovered the provinces of England. Following on this discovery, he has written one of those long and powerful articles, for the writing of which newspaper proprietors are becoming famous. In the article he sets forth a few vital facts which had impressed him in the course of his investigations. For instance, he tells us that "it is in the provinces that the preponderant part of the British nation lives," and further, "that it is there where the great staple producing trades are carried on."

And these discoveries lead to this conclusion: "That it is high time that the best journalistic resources in capital and brains, which the nation can provide, were producing for the men and women in our great provincial centres evening newspapers worthy of their readers, with a national outlook and independent organisation."

These would seem to be rediscoveries, not original ones, for I remember, in my early days as a journalist, watching with interest the attempts made by Lord Rothermere and his distinguished brother, Lord Northcliffe, to supply several of our provincial cities with what he calls "a bright, up-to-date evening paper." Curiously enough the preponderant part of the British nation failed to rise to the occasion, and the unappreciative provinces were shortly left to their own fate.

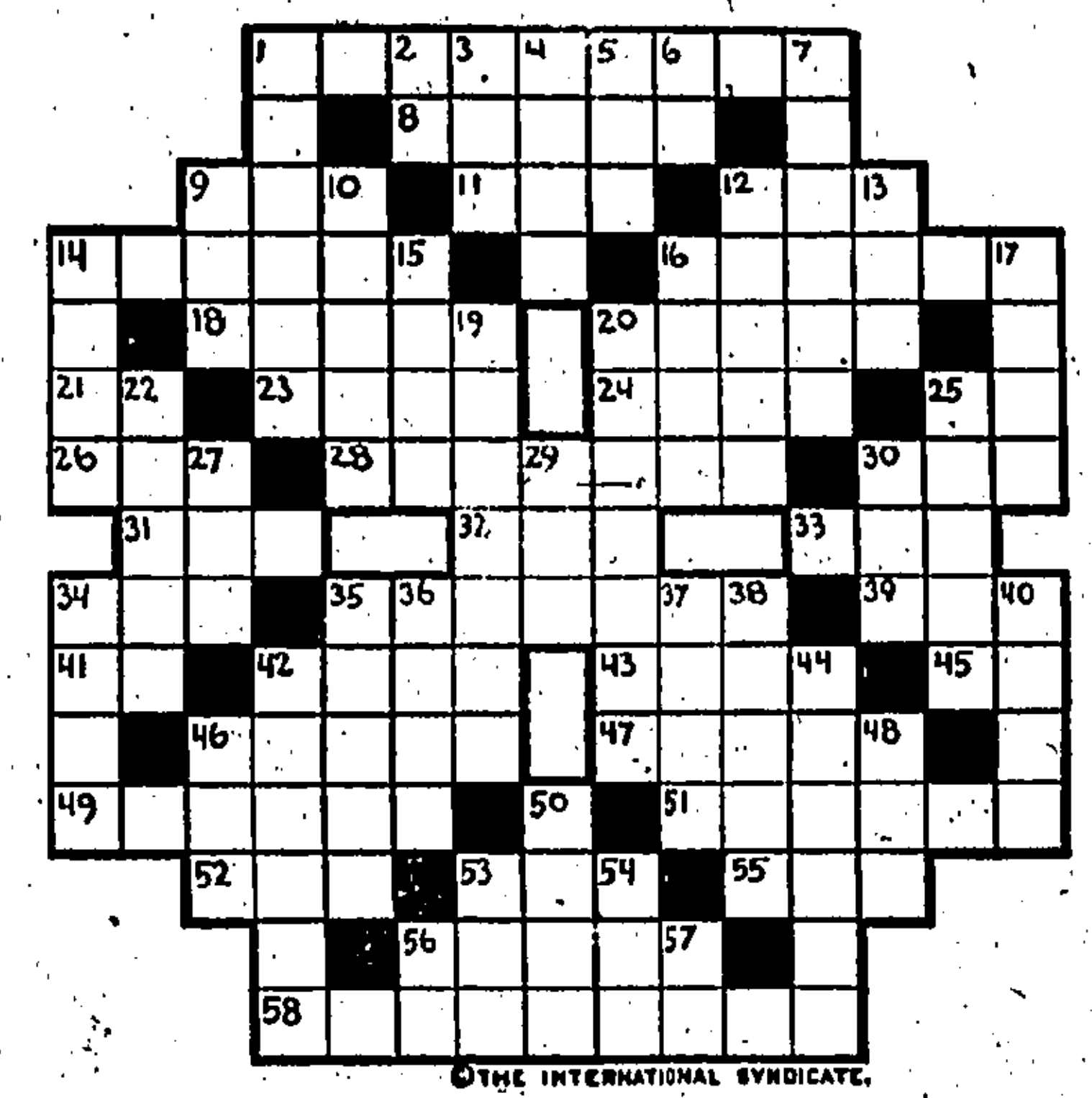
We are promised a perfect deluge of these "bright and up-to-date" evening newspapers. They are to descend on provincial cities like a chain of bargain stores, right from John o' Groat to Land's End and from East to West—beautiful buildings, brighter brains, special and unusual features. The buildings are to be architectural possessions, of which it is expected you people in the provinces will be properly proud. The brighter brains are yet to be named, but a gentleman called Mr. MacWhirter is sitting in his den waiting to enlist them, presumably from the staffs of those benighted evening papers in the provinces who are so far behind the times, and the "special and unusual features" will be hatched in due course.

From the particulars which I have given you concerning the

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1—Things obscure
 - 8—Assessments
 - 9—Container for liquids
 - 11—Invite
 - 12—Parent-Teacher's Association (abbr.)
 - 14—Shut
 - 16—Sharp ends
 - 18—Underneath
 - 20—Well-known movie actor
 - 21—When
 - 23—Ascend
 - 24—Freedom from pain
 - 25—Swindle
 - 26—Marry
 - 28—Fatal
 - 30—Famous English botanical garden
 - 31—Pledge
 - 32—Complete
 - 33—Energy
 - 34—To permit
 - 35—Vegetable
 - 36—Follow
 - 41—Preposition
 - 42—Yoke of oxen
 - 43—Unit of weight
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 45—Negative
 - 46—Newly formed
 - 47—Relish
 - 48—Cleanse
 - 51—Tiresome
 - 52—Container
 - 53—Shut in
 - 55—Complete
 - 56—Tibetan priests
 - 58—Exterminate
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- 1—Long-range rifle
 - 2—One who has been canonized (abbr.)
 - 3—Label
 - 4—Egress
 - 5—Extreme radical
 - 6—Part of verb "to be"
 - 7—Ridicule
 - 10—Task
 - 12—The art of composing poems
 - 13—Some
 - 14—Tear or scratch
 - 16—Anything nauseous
 - 17—Loud sound
 - 19—Flat-bottomed boat
- VERTICAL**
- 18—Interlacing
 - 20—Cuts off the head of
 - 22—Mythic number
 - 25—Devil
 - 27—Dowry
 - 28—A metal
 - 30—Humbly
 - 34—Defect
 - 35—Reject with contempt
 - 36—Cooking utensil (pl.)
 - 37—Sign in the Zodiac
 - 38—Devastation
 - 40—Musical instrument
 - 42—Origin
 - 44—Metal state engendering endurance
 - 45—Pronoun
 - 46—Tear
 - 50—Prefix meaning "half"
 - 53—Possessed
 - 54—Scotch prefix meaning "son"
 - 56—Quilt State (abbr.)
 - 57—A continent (abbr.)

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting in the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on May 1, 1928:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.			
WORKS LEVEL.			
	1927	1928	
Tyiam	12' 11" B 17' 5" B		
Tyiam Byewash	18' 4" B 10' 8" B		
Tyiam Intermediate	10' 0" B 4' 6" B		
Tyiam Tuk	28' 4" B 38' 0" B		
Wong Nei Chung	21' 7" B 18' 5" B		
Fokfulum	12' 1" B 11' 10" B		
[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow". A. denotes "Above Overflow".]			
Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.			
	1927	1928	
Tyiam	283.99	253.30	
Tyiam Byewash	3.87	4.67	
Tyiam Intermediate	143.80	171.36	
Tyiam Tuk	820.00	658.00	
Wong Nei Chung	12.62	12.62	
Fokfulum	39.93	40.44	
Total	1,300.29	1,140.39	
Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of April.			
	1927	1928	
Consumption	215.29	217.00	
Estimated population	411,000	421,580	
Consumption per head	174	171	
Intermittent Supply in all Rides			
Main Districts west of Garden-road during April, 1927, and Full Supply in All Rides Main Districts east of Garden-road during April, 1927.			
Intermittent supply in all Rides Main Districts during April, 1928.			

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.			
	1927	1928	
Kowloon Reservoir	18' 0" B 17' 4" B		
Shek Lai Pul Reservoir	20' 4" B 9' 2" B		
Reception Reservoir	0' 10" B 2' 0" B		
Storage of millions and decimals of gallons.			
	1927	1928	
Kowloon Reservoir	191.50	196.58	
Shek Lai Pul Reservoir	81.48	81.24	
Reception Reservoir	80.95	27.87	
Total	353.93	306.20	
Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of April.			
	1927	1928	
Consumption	81.36	97.69	
Estimated population	159,880	164,890	
Consumption per head	17.0	19.7	
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YOUR HATS FROM A FIRM
THAT HAS A MAN'S
NAME.

WHY
FATHER?

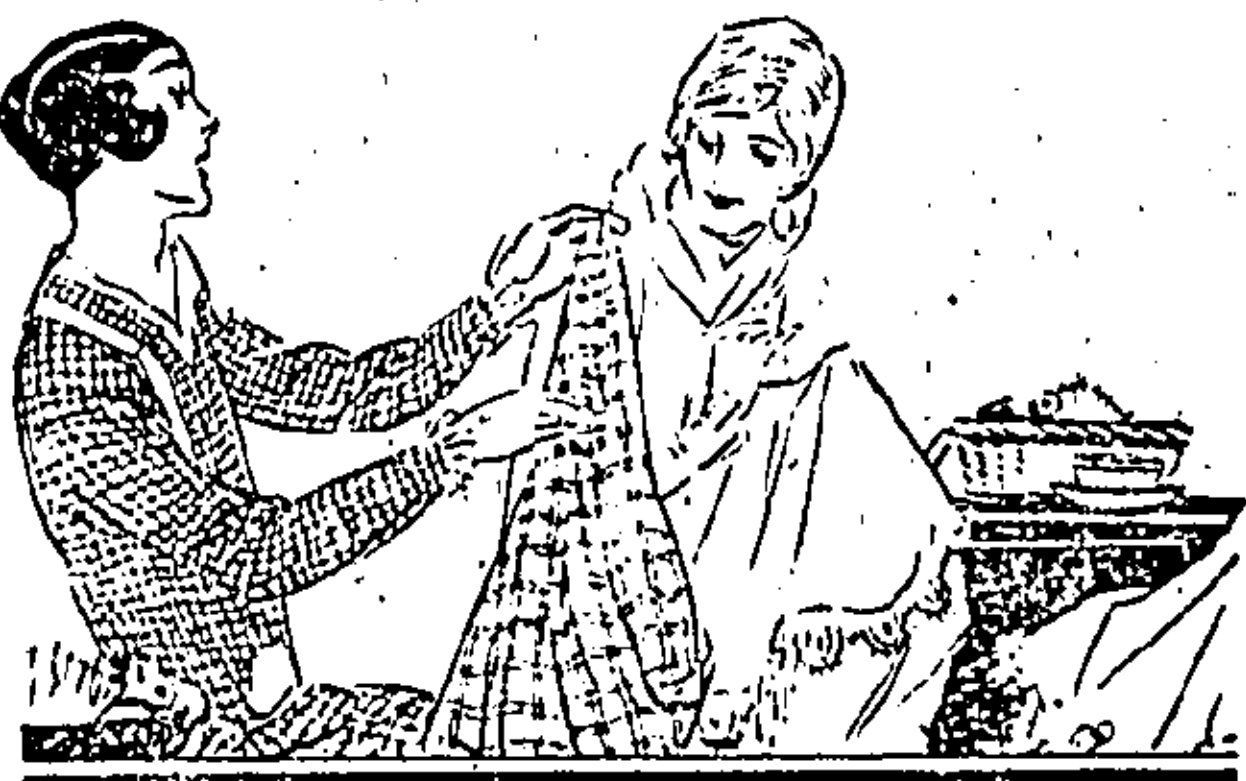
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organisation here it is self-evident that not alone in London are situated all the brains, the enterprise, the initiative, and finally, the material resources that go to make a successful newspaper today. And what I have said about Allied House, Manchester, is equally true of the other newspaper establishments in provincial cities controlled by Allied Newspapers, and also of the many other successful and firmly-established newspapers, which already exist in other centres.

Meanwhile, Lord Rothermere views his new provinces from London. Like the old war horse in Job "He saith among the trumpets, ha! ha! and he smelleth the battle from afar—the thunder of the captains and the shouting." And I am sure he will forgive me for saying that, although there has been some thundering of the captains and a fair amount of shouting, the gates of the citadels have not fallen.

Personal Assurance.

Those of us who are connected with provincial evening newspapers continue to do our best with apparently a fair measure of success, and if and where this chain of newspapers starts operations I can confidently state that the provinces will not be found wanting in initiative, enterprise, resources, and all those other qualities which make a first-class battle.

In Manchester we are not likely to be faced with completion from the new group, for when I bought the Manchester newspapers of the late Hulton firm from the trust controlled by Lord Rothermere, I received his personal assurance that he would not start or be connected with any further newspaper interests in Manchester. The clause binding the selling company to this effect constitutes part of the agreement on which the sale was effected.

Lord Rothermere was not in a personal sense a party to the agreement, but at the very commencement of the negotiations I received from him this personal assurance, I have just mentioned, and, consequently, so long as he continues to control the companies at present under his influence there cannot be any new competition from that quarter in the Manchester field.

As you are aware, the activities of Allied Newspapers are not confined to Manchester. We are the

owners of newspapers in a number of other provincial towns. Just as much as the British Empire is said to be a commonwealth of nations, so it might be said that this company is a commonwealth of newspapers.

Right Use of Power.

We have heard a good deal lately of the danger to the public of groups of newspapers coming under one control, because of the power which goes with the papers. Personally, and perhaps naturally, I do not share these misgivings. Power misused is, of course, always dangerous in any sphere of life, whether it be national, municipal, or commercial.

What is not recognised by those who share these misapprehensions in regard to the Press is that newspapers can only exist by the respect and interest of their readers, and that the persistent misuse of the power which a newspaper possesses is bound to result in one of two things—one, the decay of the newspaper itself, or, secondly, the loss of influence on its readers and the decadence of the paper into a mere news-distributing machine. So far as Allied Newspapers are concerned, we can confidently claim that no charge of the kind has ever been brought against us.

We can, with equal confidence, assert that not only are the sales of our journals larger, but also that they are held in more esteem by their readers than they ever were before.

I see that the other day the National Liberal Federation passed a resolution announcing its conversion to and acceptance of trusts in commerce, but making a solitary and distinct exception in regard to newspapers. This is not a political gathering, and I am not seeking to make political capital out of the fact, but I must confess that the resolution amused me considerably, inasmuch as the largest combination in the country, in point of numbers at any rate, is a Liberal one, brought into being as a combination to fight the Liberal battle.

Better Conditions.

Mr. Philip Snowden, on the other hand, sees the matter in an entirely different and, if I may say so, much more practical light. He points to the fact that large amalgamations tend to higher wages and better conditions of employment, and this has undoubtedly obtained in the newspaper world. The people who talk so much about the dangers of combinations of the Press forget one very important thing, and that is that the public always has the last word.

One primary motive which dominates the purchaser of a morning or evening paper is the desire to know what is happening in the world, and this is true in respect of every kind of newspaper. Other features are important, but it is news of some kind, whether it be political, commercial, sporting, or general doings, which makes the modern newspaper a necessity to every person of any education today.

If an editor parts with that idea he parts ultimately with his job, and the proprietor with his money. None of us wants to be preached at all the time, either in the news columns or in the editorial columns, and while what can be called a propagandist journal may, by reason of its efficiency in other respects, maintain its material prosperity, as a real force and influence it becomes negligible.

There is much less of this propaganda journalism in the provincial journals than those published in London. Being a provincial journalist myself—having started life in the office of a small local weekly thirty-four years ago this month—I may be prejudiced, but I am pretty certain that, partly, perhaps, as a result of this, the efficiently conducted provincial morning or evening newspaper of today has infinitely more influence and power than the more widely distributed London journals.



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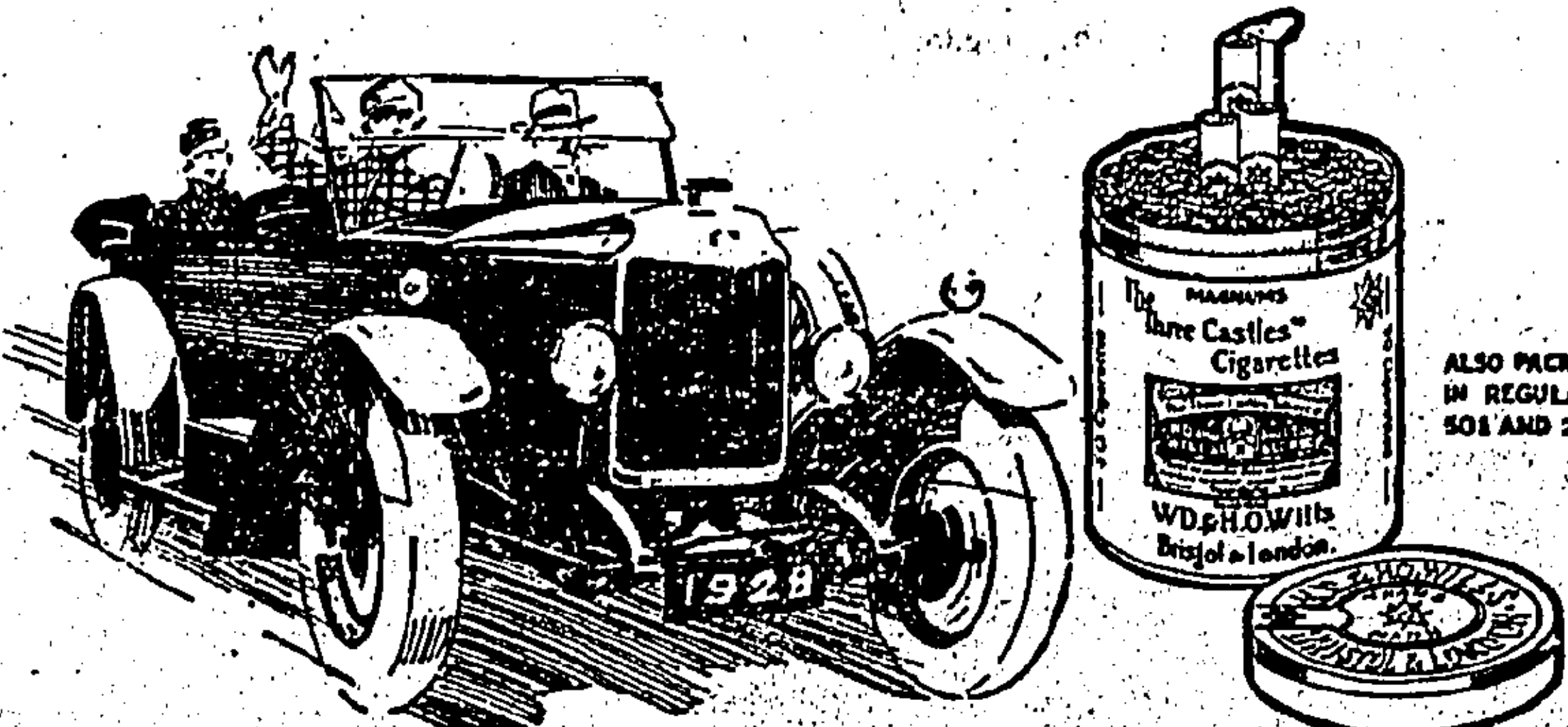
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Japan and Shanghai		Hakusan Maru
MONDAY, JUNE 4.		
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai		Empress of Canada
Australia and Manila		St. Albans

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	WEDNESDAY, MAY 23.	Per
Sam Shui and Wuchow		Tai Ming 4.30 p.m.
Saigon		Wong Shek Kung 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai		Ninghai 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, MAY 24.		
Amoy		Tikembang 8.30 a.m.
Straits		Cremer 9 a.m.
Fort Bayard		Tai Pao Sek 9 a.m.
Bangkok		Kingyuan 9 a.m.
Swatow		Hydrangea 9 a.m.
FRIDAY, MAY 25.		
Saigon and South Africa		Santos Maru 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow		Hak Ning 2 p.m.
Shanghai		Szechuen 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 23rd June, K.P.O. Parcels 4.30 p.m. Registration (May 26th) 9 a.m. Letters (May 26th) 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (May 26th) 9.45 a.m. Letters (May 26th) 10.30 a.m. Malwa		
SATURDAY, MAY 26.		
Amoy		Antung 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, MAY 27.		
Bangkok via Swatow		Kwangchow 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow		Kisha Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, MAY 28.		
Amoy		Bunning 9 a.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 29.		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and "San Francisco"—due San Francisco, 22nd June and Europe via Siberia. Registration 9.45 a.m.		

THE POISON GAS.

Death Roll Now Numbers 10.

171 IN HOSPITAL.

Police Confiscate Foodstuffs That May Be "Gassed."

Hamburg, Yesterday. The phosgene incident death-roll now numbers 10 while 171 are being treated in hospital. The police have confiscated all the foodstuffs likely to be affected by the gas.—Reuter.

GREEK POLITICS.

LIVELY SCENES ON RESIGNATION OF GOVERNMENT.

A JOURNALIST SPEAKS.

Athens, Yesterday. When Parliament reassembled the resignation of the Government was announced and the sitting was suspended. The Tsaldaris and Metaxas objected, and boisterous scenes ensued. The Speaker left the house and the Vice-Speaker, who is a Metaxist, took the chair. The Opposition held a short sitting by itself but no shorthand writers were present. An amazing feature of the sitting was that a journalist addressed the house from the Press Gallery.—Reuter.

Cabinet Resigns.

Athens, Yesterday. The Cabinet has resigned. M. Kafandaris has resigned the leadership of the Progressive Liberals owing to a divergence of opinion between himself and M. Venezelos. He is forming a new party.—Reuter.

POLAND AND "REDS."

THE TRIAL OF WHITE RUTHENIAN COMMUNISTS.

THE SENTENCES.

Warsaw, Yesterday. Thirty-seven White Ruthenian Communists have been found guilty. Four, ex-members of the diet—Tarasiewicz, Rakmichowski, Woloszyn and Miska were sentenced to twelve years' penal servitude, while others received 8 years to 3 years. Nineteen acquitted include the priest Ostrowski and the politician Luckiewicz.—Reuter.

ARMS & MUNITIONS.

THE BILL BEFORE DUTCH SECOND CHAMBER.

TREATY OF 1925.

The Hague, Yesterday. The Second Chamber passed by 64 votes to 10 a bill approving of the Treaty of 1925 regarding control of the international trade in arms and munitions.—Reuter.

SOVIET TRIBUNAL.

ALLEGED ECONOMIC COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY PLOTTERS.

Riga, Yesterday. The Soviet tribunal at Smolensk in trying cases of an alleged economic counter-revolutionary plot, sentenced to death two men and awarded long imprisonment to six others.—Reuter.

ON THE "JAG."

HIS PERIODICAL VISIT TO THE MAGISTRACY.

Before Mr. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, a Japanese named Tajima was charged with being drunk and with behaving in a disorderly manner at the Yau-mai Ferry Wharf yesterday evening. His Worship: I seem to remember his face. He has been here before, hasn't he? Inspector Marks: Numerous times, I think, your Worship. His Worship: He seems to run straight for a few months and then break out again. Inspector Marks: When he breaks out, he does so strongly. (Laughter). A sentence of 7 days' imprisonment was imposed, with the alternative of a fine of £5.

A NEW ERA.

Woman As World Ruler.

ARTIST'S PROPHECY.

Japanese In London Look Ahead To 1947.

London, May 4. "The year 1947 will witness the commencement of a new era in the world's history, in which humanity will be dominated by women, and national and racial lines will disappear."

This is one of a number of remarkable prophecies made by Yoshio Markino, the Japanese artist engaged to Miss Elizabeth Williamson, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, in the course of an exclusive interview with the United Press. "Women are the fundamental sex and men their complement," continued Markino. "Women hold the sweetness and honey of life, and true happiness can only come through their ascendancy. "War-like nations and nations which believe too much in material success, both tend to under-rate women because they cannot fight, nor earn so much money as men. They are, however, the true upholders of civilization."

"I base my predictions of a new renaissance and a world dominated by women starting in 1947, on the sacred writings of Japan. These say the first evidences of the renaissance will become markedly noticeable in 1933 or 1936 and culminate in some big event in 1947. These writings predicted the great war and I am certain that events will bear out their predictions of the new renaissance."

AGED HAWKER.

MAGISTRATE'S KINDLY CONCERN FOR AN OLD MAN.

NO LICENCE.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, Lieut.-Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., showed concern for a 72-year-old Chinese who was charged with hawking without a licence.

The Magistrate decided to discharge the accused with a caution, and told him to take out a licence immediately.

Inspector Field, in charge of the Hawkers' Licensing Office said that he could not issue any more licences until September next.

Col. Eaves remarked that the accused was too old to work, and if he could not get a licence, how was he going to live? He inquired if there was not a place where old people like the accused could go to, and the Inspector replied in the negative.

His Worship said that the man certainly could not stay in the streets until he died. Addressing the accused, the Magistrate said that he could not hawk without a licence, and therefore he (the Magistrate) could not help it. He would, however, discharge him with a caution and advise him to go to one of the Chinese hospitals and see what could be done for him there.

NOVEL EXCUSE.

WHY A CHINESE WIFE USED A DAGGER.

TO CHASE EVIL SPIRITS!

When a Chinese, living in Lai-chikok was yesterday charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy, with the unlawful possession of a dagger without a permit, he offered the novel excuse that the weapon had been used by his wife, without his knowledge, for the purpose of chasing away evil spirits during his brother's recent illness. He did not know where his wife got the dagger. The Magistrate discharged the defendant with a caution, and ordered the confiscation of the weapon.

When a motor car tout who was arrested in West Point, was charged before Lieut.-Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., at the Central Magistracy this morning, Inspector Clark told the Magistrate that there was a lot of this nuisance going on in his district. These people, besides pestering pedestrians, were causing a lot of trouble amongst themselves by damaging each other's cars to prevent competition. A fine of £5 was imposed.

MATHER MINE.

The Latest Death Roll.

82 DEAD.

Survivor In An Air-Locked Compartment.

Brownsville, Penn., Yesterday. The death-roll at the Mather Mine has now reached 82 and it is feared that the remaining 115 will be added, though one miraculously survived for 60 hours in an air-lock.—Reuter's American Service.

NEW CAPITAL.

THE DELIGHTS OF NEW DELHI.

MARVELOUS CITY.

New Delhi, May 4. A new city has risen from the dust and heat of India. A garden city now stands on what was fifteen years ago—a barren plain, trees and flowers grow where only a few mud-built Indian villages formerly stood, and the famous Delhi Ridge, a sheer block of quartzite which formerly radiated heat across the plain for miles, is covered for thousands of acres with trees and shrubs which hold the dust and cool the wind. This modern miracle is the New Delhi, India's new capital.

Fifteen years ago three men, Captain Swinton, Mr. Brodie, and Mr. Lutyens, (the latter now Sir Edward), arrived in India as members of the first Planning Commission. Their task was to give India a new capital on the area of some five square miles of windswept territory, flanked by the broken walls of Purana Kila (Indrapat), one of the many Delhis of the past, and the Delhi Ridge a veritable furnace which would blister the skin in hot weather, and which scorched the entire territory with an intense and continual heat wave. There were but few trees on the plain; a few large Mohammedan tombs, surrounded by thick jungle, were the most impressive sights on the landscape.

On a spur of Delhi Ridge, jutting abruptly away from the main section of the sizzling rock, stood the small village of Raisina. Prophetically enough, the tomb of the Sikh who foretold the coming of the white race stood near the settlement, although the records of the ancient prophet do not show that he predicted that the white man would some day blast away the crest of Raisina spur to make way for the construction of three great palaces, which are now nearly complete.

Fifty miles of roads and avenues are complete to-day in the formerly desolate area. Each thoroughfare is lined with forest trees, and the system forms the basis of the largest city plan in the world. There are bungalows and community dwellings for 35,000 inhabitants, settled on a green carpet of trees, grass and flowers. The Mohammedan tombs, once almost hidden by jungle, are now surrounded by well-kept gardens, their domes rising above the new garden city.

A Mall almost two miles long and a quarter of a mile wide called Ringway, forms the backbone of the city plan, extending from the Raisina spur to a great archway commemorating the Indian armistice. The palaces of the Indian Princes are to be grouped around the arch. Already one ruling prince, H.H. the Nizam of Hyderabad, has erected his palatial residence within the princely circle. Others, which may vary in style, colour, and material, are to follow.

Within two years the Viceroy is expected to move into the new Government House, a palatial marvel which can hardly be conceived, in this age. The assembly Building, a large circular structure, magnificently designed, is complete. And soon New Delhi will take her place as a world capital, a marvel in planning and construction, as well as a work of art.—United Press.

The committee of the Shanghai Cricket Club have arranged for a dance in honour of the Hong Kong Interport cricketers to take place at the Country Club on Wednesday.

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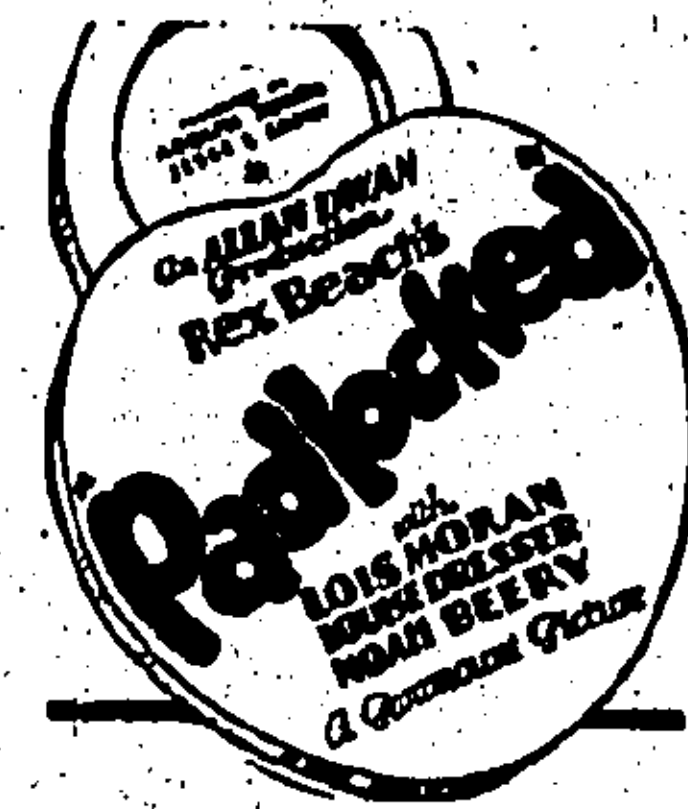
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